# TEXAS SUNSET ADVISORY COMMISSION

## 1

### Sunset Staff Evaluation

Sunset staff performs extensive research and analysis to evaluate the need for, performance of, and improvements to the agency under review.

### Sunset Commission Staff

- Reviews agency's Self-Evaluation Report
- Receives input from interested parties
- Evaluates agency and identifies problems
- Develops recommendations
- Publishes staff report

Public input is confidential

## Sunset Publishes Staff Report

## 2

### Sunset Commission Deliberation

The Sunset Commission conducts a public hearing to take testimony on the staff report and the agency overall. Later, the Commission meets again to vote on which changes to recommend to the full Legislature.

### Public Hearings

- Sunset staff presents its report and recommendations
- Agency presents its response
- Sunset Commission hears public testimony
- Staff compiles all testimony for Commission consideration
- Sunset Commission meets again to consider and vote on recommendations

Public input is published on the website

## Sunset Commission Recommends Action

## 3

### Legislative Action

The full Legislature considers Sunset recommendations and makes final determinations.

### Texas Legislature

- Sunset bill on an agency is drafted and filed
- Sunset bills go through normal bill processes
- The Senate and the House conduct committee hearings and debate the bill
- Bill passes or fails adoption
- Governor signs, vetoes, or allows bill to become law without signature

Agency continues with improvements. ✓

**OR**

Agency is abolished but may continue business for up to one year. ✗

*Source: https://www.sunset.texas.gov/how-sunset-works*