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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed:

Dear Sirs:

It is not a good idea to discontinue the Medical Radiologic Technologist Licensure Program. While there is licensing at the national level with the ARRT, Texas and all the individual states need to play a role in occupational licensing with individuals using ionizing radiation on patients.

Patients have a right to have their studies done by qualified individuals who know how to work with ionizing radiation, which is a known carcinogen.

Practitioners with sufficient training will know how to complete exams administering the lowest possible dose needed, which helps protect the patients.

The state with licensing requirements will also be more able to punish or even prevent untrained individuals from harming patients. Insurance reimbursement for radiologic exams will also be affected if they are done by individuals without the necessary minimum educational requirements.

We can all agree that the main function of government is to protect the rights of its citizens and that is why this is an important function of the state to regulate.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Only to work with the ARRT to keep high standards. Also to keep informed on the effects of low level ionizing radiation on humans and the newer technology that helps

use lower and lower doses to complete exams.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree