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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I am commenting in response to the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission's recommendation to discontinue the Texas Medical Radiologic Technologist Licensure Program and standards. Mandatory licensure of radiologic technologists in Texas ensures that individuals exposing patients to radiation have met educational standards to have the knowledge of how to decrease radiation exposure while ensuring the highest exam quality as possible. Non-licensed personnel will have no education in radiation physics and how radiation can cause harmful effects possibly leading to future cancers.

Furthermore, licensed Radiologic Technologists can be held responsible for not treating patients responsibly. Without licensure, the state will not be able to protect our children and families from individuals who have not been trained extensively on disease processes, anatomy, imaging procedures and the proper use of radiation exposure. Patients come to us in hopes of a proper diagnosis. This will not happen if individuals are allowed to perform radiation exposing procedures whom have not passed educational and licensure requirements.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Radiation Physicists, Radiologists and Radiologic Technologists should have been allowed a seat on the committee to ensure that the Texas Sunset Advisory has a clear understanding of the role of a licensed radiologic technologist. Please keep the standard of mandatory licensing of radiologic technologists.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree