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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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

I am opposed to discontinuing State licensing requirements for Medical Radiologic Technologists for the following reasons:

Licensure for radiologic technologists ensures that patients are being treated by individuals who have met education and certification standards.

Licensed radiologic technologists lower patient exposure to ionizing radiation, a known carcinogen, by optimizing technique for medical imaging and treating cancers and other illnesses. Unlicensed personnel do not understand how to minimize exposure while achieving quality images or effective treatments.

Licensure for radiologic technologists preserves the state's right to penalize individuals who may not treat patients according to professional standards or administer radiation correctly. Without licensure, the state cannot protect its citizens from untrained individuals.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Maintain current licensure laws for Medical Radiologic Technologists.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree