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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I understand that there has been a recommendation to abolish state licensure for Radiologic Technologist. I do not feel that this is a good idea. The MRT program helps to ensure that ionizing radiation administered to patients is done so by thoroughly trained individuals. I have been a registered technologist with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologist (ARRT) since 1973 and have been employed in the state of Texas since 1974. I well remember the times before the MRT program, doctors offices and some clinics would allow their nurses to take radiographs and would until they got a good one. Sometimes exposing the patient many times. The MRT program, over the years, contributed to that practice going away. Also, since in the state of Texas an individual can perform radiological procedures with an MRT, some have allowed their ARRT to lapse. What will happen to those individuals' employment status if the MRT program goes away? Do they lose their job? I support maintaining the radiology MRT program.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

I do however have a recommendation that would save money in practically all of the licensure professions. I will use radiology as the example. When a technologist is certified by the ARRT, to maintain that certification, that technologist must obtain CEU's. So there is not really a need for CEU tracking in the MRT program. The ARRT already requires it. The only ones who would need tracking would be those few individuals who only have the MRT and not the ARRT.

Thank you for your time.

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My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree