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Licensure for radiologic technologists ensures that patients are being treated by individuals who have met professional 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. We are also qualified to act as patient advocates with the treating physicians to ensure optimal results for proper treatments. 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.

We licensed radiologic technologists work diligently to maintain a high quality standard of health care through continual professional and education development. Those initials behind my name DO stand for something.

It is imperative that we preserve our licensure for radiologic technologists. It is a critical profession in health care. Not just a tech job.

Please make my thoughts known to the Sunset Texas Advisory Commission. They are wrong. They should not discontinue the Medical Radiologic Technologist Licensure Program. I oppose the discontinuance of these licensures. I support Texas licensure for Radiologic Technologists and the other professions being considered.

If you need further comment, please call me at .

Thank you.

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