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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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State: Texas

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

I believe we need to preserve licensure for radiographers, radiation therapists and nuclear medicine technologists in Texas.

- Licensure for radiologic technologists ensures that patients are being treated by individuals who have met education and certification standards.
- Licensed radiologic technologists administer ionizing radiation, a known carcinogen, in the lowest dose possible to patients in order to create medical images and to treat cancers and other illnesses. Unlicensed personnel do not know how to administer low doses of radiation and still achieve 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: It is important to preserve licensure for radiographic technologists in texas to protect patients for ionizing radiation procedures on patients.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree