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To discontinue the medical radiologic technologist licensure program and repeal the licensure standards in Texas would be an act of in justice to ALL patients. To get a true sense of the importance of being certified, having requirements, and licensure standards please visit a radiology department and see what the profession actually entails.

This is why we need licensure programs and standards:

- 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.

Respectfully,

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