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

I oppose the discontinuance of the MRT Licensure Program. We need educated and licensed professionals to meet the new State requirements on exposure.

It is irresponsible to recommend something that would put us all at risk.

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: Do not discontinue Licensure for any Health Care Professionals!

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree