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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

June 21, 2001

Charles D. Hummer, Jr., M.D., Chairperson
State Board of Medicine
116 Pine Street
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: Regulation #16A-4910 (IRRC #2182)
State Board of Medicine
Licensure, Certification, Examination and Registration Fees

Dear Chairperson Hummer:

Enclosed are our Comments. They will soon be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

Our Comments list objections and suggestions for consideration when you prepare the final version of this regulation. We have also specified the regulatory criteria which have not been met. These Comments are not a formal approval or disapproval of the proposed version of this regulation.

If you would like to discuss these Comments, please contact my office at 783-5417.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert E. Nyce".

Robert E. Nyce
Executive Director

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Mario J. Civera, Jr., Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable William W. Rieger, Democratic Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Clarence D. Bell, Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Kim Pizzigrilli, Secretary, Department of State

Comments of the Independent Regulatory Review Commission

on

State Board of Medicine Regulation No. 16A-4910

Licensure, Certification, Examination and Registration Fees

June 21, 2001

We submit for your consideration the following objections and recommendations regarding this regulation. Each objection or recommendation includes a reference to the criteria in the Regulatory Review Act (71 P.S. § 745.5a(h) and (i)) which have not been met. The State Board of Medicine (Board) must respond to these Comments when it submits the final-form regulation. If the final-form regulation is not delivered by May 21, 2003, the regulation will be deemed withdrawn.

1. Section 16.13. Licensure, certification, examination and registration fees. – Reasonableness; Clarity.

(a) Medical Doctor License

The existing renewal fee for a Graduate License is \$15. A typographical error in the proposed regulation lists the existing fee for renewal of this license as \$10. This fee is not being increased by this regulation. The typographical error should be corrected in the final-form regulation.

(c) Physician Assistant Certificate

This subsection contains a new fee for registration of additional supervisors. The House Professional Licensure Committee noted that this new fee was missing from the descriptions of fee changes in the Preamble. When the Board submits the final-form regulation, it should revise the Preamble to reflect this fee increase.