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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG

March 16, 2006

John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman Independent Regulatory Review Commission 14th Floor, Harristown 2 333 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Chairman McGinley:

The House Professional Licensure Committee held a meeting on March 14, 2006, to consider the following:

Regulation 16A-5717 – Proposed Rulemaking of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine relating to biennial renewal fees. The committee voted to take no formal action until the final form regulation is promulgated. The committee submits the following comment:

(1) The committee seeks information from the board regarding the notice provided to the 4,500 individuals licensed and certified by the board regarding the fee increase, as well as assurances that final rules will be in place before December 1, 2006, the effective date of the fee increase.

Regulation 16A-6313 – Final rulemaking of the State Board of Psychology relating to education requirements. The committee voted to approve the regulation.

Regulation 16A-5120 – Final rulemaking of the State Board of Nursing relating to dietician-nutritionists. The committee voted to approve the regulation.

Regulation 16A-5119 – Final rulemaking of the State Board of Nursing relating to certified registered nurse practitioner program approval. The committee voted to approve the regulation.

Regulation 16A-6210 – Final rulemaking of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators relating to biennial renewal fee. The committee voted to approve the regulation.

Please feel free to contact my office if any questions should arise.

Sincerely,

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House Professional Licensure Committee

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