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Dear Dr. Fasano:

I am a current Physician Assistant student writing in support of the regulations allowing DOs to delegate prescribing rights to PAs. PAs have been safely prescribing in Pennsylvania under allopathic physicians for years. Osteopathic physicians should be given the same ability to delegate prescriptive authority to their PAs as their MD colleagues. Furthermore, regulations should be worded the same for MDs as DOs in order to avoid confusion. Personally, I do not plan on practicing in Pennsylvania unless I am given the opportunity to practice to the full extent of my training. Unfortunately, because of discrepancies like this, Pennsylvania is not as appealing to me as other states that offer better opportunities, and a higher level of respect towards my future profession.

Signature:

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