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Subject: VOTE NO on #2843 State Board of Massage Therapy #16A-721: Massage Therapy

The current/final version of this legislation excludes the word therapeutic, and restricts the scope of practice for massage therapists in such a way that it will effectively cripple the industry's ability to relieve pain and help the general population live healthier lives. The changes made at the October meeting of the IRRC are not acceptable. Massage Therapy is by nature, therapeutic.

I have had rheumatoid arthritis for 42 years and have integrated therapeutic massage into my pain management regimen. Not recognizing the palliative value of therapeutic massage would be a gross disservice to all those who suffer chronic pain.

I ask that you vote down the current legislation No. 2843 STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY #16A-721: MASSAGE THERAPY

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