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November 15, 2010  
Mr. Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman  
Independent Regulatory Review Commission  
333 Market Street, 14th floor  
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Chairman Coccodrilli:

I am writing to retract my previous concerns about §20.41 of the massage therapy regulation. After a closer examination of the law and the regulation, I would like to express my full support of the regulation moving forward at the final vote. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
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Chairman Coccodrilli:

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the final regulations relating to the practice of massage therapy in Pennsylvania. My concern is the recent changes to §20.41. The restriction of the scope of practice with regards to the therapeutic treatment of soft tissue manifestations is, in my opinion, in direct conflict with the proposed license title of "Massage Therapist". If a massage "therapist" is unable to perform soft tissue treatments that are "therapeutic" in nature, I believe this creates confusion in our scope of practice for massage practitioners and is also misleading to the public. Additionally, this would require PA massage therapy schools to extensively alter their current curriculums, which is both a timely and costly undertaking.

We at LSB would like to see the regulation move forward, but with consideration to the above mentioned issues. Thank you for your time.

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