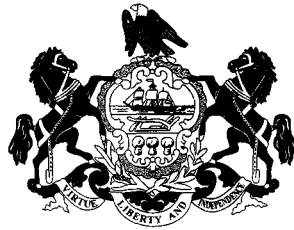


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Fiona E. Wilmarth, Acting Executive Director
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Dear Ms. Wilmarth,

Today the House Professional Licensure Committee voted to take no formal action on Proposed Regulation 16A-6514 of the State Board of Physical Therapy pertaining to Act 38 of 2008 amendments until final regulation is promulgated and to submit the following comments:

1. The Committee brings to the Board's attention that proposed Regulation 16A-6514 was published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on September 17, 2011, approximately 2 years and 11 months past the 90 days from the effective date of the Act of July 4, 2008, (P.L. 293, No. 38).
2. The Committee questions the Board's statutory authority to include physical therapy assistant students in §40.171(c) which relates to supervision ratio, since Act 38 of 2008 specifically limits the ratio to one physical therapist supervising no more than three physical therapist assistants.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julie Harhart".

Julie Harhart, Majority Chair
House Professional Licensure Committee

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