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Dear Ms. Cynthia Montgomery,

I am writing in regard to the proposed fee increase for Social Work license renewal. As you are aware, the National Association of Social Work in PA. is strongly opposed to this increase and I agree with their position.

I am a LCSW, working in Pittsburgh, PA and think the increase would be a hardship for myself and my colleagues. I am asking for the current fee of \$75 to remain the same. Social Workers are required by many employers to maintain a current license in order to maintain their employment. The cost of continuing education required to maintain the license is often paid by the social worker.

Most social workers receive modest compensation for their professional services and it is even more modest for social workers starting out. Please strongly consider leaving the fee structure as it is.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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