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Dear Mr. Diaz:

We are writing in response to Proposed Regulation 54-79, addressing the Responsible Alcohol Management Program (RAMP). Currently within the Liquor Control Committee there are two bills that propose the allowance of other programs that teach beyond the scope of RAMP, House Bill 317 introduced by Representative Mike Regan and House Bill 719, introduced by Representative Dave Hickernell. Those two bills address many of the changes as set forth in the proposed regulation. Additionally, last session the House of Representatives voted in favor of amendment A7526 to HB1769 that would certify private third-party providers of training that covers, at a minimum, the content contained in the Bureau of Alcohol Education's standard curriculum.

These past votes and current pending legislation demonstrate that there is support within the House of Representatives for the certification of curriculums that teach above and beyond the current RAMP curriculum. This support stems from a belief that certification of such programs will further enhance the training for alcohol service personnel.

It has come to our attention that recommendations have been submitted by Health Communications, Inc. to the proposed regulation. Please be advised that we have reviewed those recommendations and are in support of the suggested language as provided.

Thank you kindly for your time.

Sincerely,

Representative Chris Ross
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