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Renewal Increase for massage

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To whom it may concern:

As a massage therapist, I love what I do and I take pride in my field. However, it is not always a lucrative job. With this proposal of increasing our renewal fee, it will be more difficult to afford. I can't speak for other therapists, but my annual income is only \$15,000 a year. I pay for insurance yearly up to \$350, continuing education costs are rising and the minimum to get the required hours is \$400. I am supporting a household with what I have left after purchasing my product, and uniforms. Please reconsider this increase. I don't know if I would be able to afford it. If I can't afford it, I lose my job. Please, don't punish those who are licensed.

Thank you for your time.

~Kim