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Hello my name is Tasha,

I have been made aware that you are planning on increasing the renewal fee to \$200. I am very upset by this, as a single mother of two who works very hard not only for my kids but for my clients, I am not going to be able to continue being a massage therapist. I love my job it came at a time in my life were I was finding myself again as a woman and mother. I was healing from a very abusive relationship. From day one of school I knew this was what I was meant to be. I have been able to help so many people. But like many in this profession you give much more than you get. I don't make much money. It is barely enough to make sure we have the necessities. I already have to save every penny I have to pay for C.E. classes which costs by the end of two years hundreds of dollars. I don't take my job and the responsibility to properly care for clients lightly. Really though how can you expect me to pay \$200 on top of what I am already paying to stay educated. It's unrealistic. Do you want the massage therapy industry to disappear because that is what will happen. This is a very important field. It provides more than just relaxation. Everyday more and more medical professionals are seeing the value. The world is realizing the therapeutic benefits. But you will scare people away by this fee. Pennsylvania will be lacking the invaluable therapy of massage. Instead of raising my fee why not focus on all the places illegally massage and offering happy endings. Penalize them don't penalize me a mother who is trying to help people and provide for my children. I truly hope you reconsider and keep the fee where it is! Even \$75 is a lot for me to come up with. But i am telling you if you raise it a lot of good people will be out of jobs. And that will be on you!

Have a good day,
Tasha Mundy