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I am currently a licensed massage therapist (LMT) in the state of Pennsylvania. I would like to voice my opinion regarding the proposed fee increase for biennial license renewal.

I believe this increase will be a financial hardship for LMTs in Pennsylvania. Massage therapists are not guaranteed an income by our employers. We are paid per completed appointment - if there are no appointments, we do not get paid. Massage therapists do not receive vacation pay, sick pay or employer-paid medical insurance.

My professional association, Associated Bodywork and Massage Professionals, notified me of this potential increase. When was the State of Pennsylvania going to inform me of the increase? At the time of renewal? How are licensed professionals supposed to budget for a significant increase like this with no prior notification from our licensing board?

The \$125 increase would cause me and my family a financial hardship. Please reconsider this increase.

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