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I apologize if I have contacted any wrong parties concerning the governance of fees for massage therapy. I wasn't sure where to go with my concerns. If this is not your responsibility to gather responses to the proposal, please forward this e-mail to the proper authority.

I am an independent contractor of massage therapy. As such I have no guaranteed income, no benefit package and no unemployment compensation. It is a variable income I have; dependent on such things as the discretionary income of my clients, the season of the year and the overall economy in this state.

It would cause great hardship for me to renew my massage therapy license for \$200.00. I have done some research and found out it is only a \$40 renewal fee for a physicians assistant or nurse wid-wife. Ceratinly their income is much higher than mine, (average about \$25K), yet my fee is so much higher at \$75 to renew, not to mention \$200. I would not like to see an increase in the fee at all.

I ask that the massage therapy board and the regulatory counsel reconsider the increase. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

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