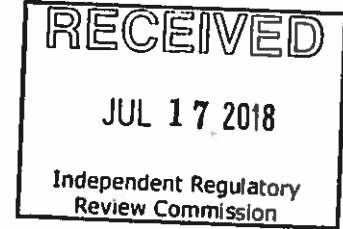


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Kathy Cooper

From: Richelle Garman <holisticharmony5780@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2018 7:13 AM
To: IRRC
Subject: Massage Licensing fee increase



Dear ma'am/Sir,

I have heard that you are proposing an increase on the fee for renewing our licenses for massage therapists. I would like to voice my opinion to say that I am very much against this action. I would first want to know the reason for the increase other than the state wanting to just up the price on the little guy whose trying to make ends meet because the state doesn't know how to manage money properly. We as therapists don't always make a ton of money doing this. A lot of us work other jobs and do this just a side job or even a hobby. In order to just keep our licenses current, we have to spend hundreds to thousands a year as it is, and increasing the amount is only going to encourage people to fly under the radar un-licensed which in the long run, years from now will not be a good thing. Please reconsider your proposal and keep us small business people in mind, that we are just trying to make it, and every dollar counts.

Thank you for your consideration!

Richelle Garman, LMT-12 years