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**From:** Comcast  
**To:** ST, Regulatory Counsel  
**Subject:** Proposed renewal fee increase by the State Board of Massage Therapy  
**Date:** Monday, July 23, 2018 12:21:28 AM

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Dear Ms. Wolfgang,

I am in my 22nd year as a self employed massage therapist in Pa. I am almost 64 yrs old and work part time in this profession. I believe the proposed increase from \$75 to \$200 is both burdensome and excessive. The renewal fees required are in addition to costs of satisfying license requirements (CEU's etc.) I am asking for your consideration of a more reasonable increase that does not penalize massage practitioners, and a better way to address the board's deficit. It brings into question, accountability and wanting answers as to how this deficit became so large, and what other ways to address this problem have been implemented.

In researching other professional biannual renewal fees, whose incomes greatly exceed our profession, \$200 is very close to the fees of chiropractors, dentists, and registered pharmacists. I am requesting that our renewal fee not be increased 166%.

Respectfully,  
Beth Santana

Sent from my iPod

