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Subject: Regulation #16A-724 (IRRC #3203)
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RE: Regulation #16A-724 (IRRC #3203)

Dear Ms. Wolfgang,

My name is Eric Maier and I am a licensed Massage Therapist in Pennsylvania. I would like to express my opposition to the increases proposed by the Massage Therapy Board for the following reasons. As you know, all Massage Therapists in Pennsylvania are required to attain 24 ceu's in the biennial period. This requires taking time off from working, resulting in lost income, and paying for the classes. I am pleased the continued training is required, because it really helps me provide my clients with excellent care. These classes cost several hundred dollars and with the proposed increase from \$75 to \$200 (that is 2.6 times the amount), it will be an additional burden on my business. Additionally, I cannot understand why the fee increase for approval of the continuing education is almost doubled.

I understand that cost increases are necessary from time to time; however, I would ask you to consider a more reasonable adjustment.

Thank you,

Eric Maier, LMT



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