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To whom it may concern,

Regarding the increase of license renewal, over 100% of an increase is a bit extreme. I can understand a small increase biannually, but from someone that has only been licensed for 5 years, why should I have to reap the consequences that are just recently being stated as to why we need an increase. I am probably echoing quite a few of my fellow LMTs, but we need to stick together with this. For the amount of work we provide just to one person whether it be for treatment or relaxation is very taxing on our bodies, but we do what we do because we enjoy it. To raise the price on licensure renewal and continuing education may end up being a decrease in LMTs for the future. Meanwhile, massage is a growing industry, as stated previously for either relaxation or treatment reasons. Everyone benefits differently. Presently, I work for a healthcare facility and I not only massage for therapeutic reasons but for treatment as well. I see patients for many different reasons and without us, LMTs, these patients wouldn't be able to maintain their daily activities. Some come on a weekly basis and some monthly.

Some of my questions would be, what is being done for those that are practicing improperly? Should those of us that keep up with our committed CEUS, CPR, Child abuse, and other education have to be responsible for the negative revenue that has accumulated? I think not.

Thank you,

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