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Perhaps salaries of administrators could be cut instead of relying on the hard working physical sweat of therapists to pull the Board out of its deficits.

As you must be aware, massage therapist work part time. It is too physically demanding to work full time hours.

\$200 lic.fee is outrageous. That's more than most medical professionals earning twice, if not more, than our salaries.

I've been a therapist for over 20yrs. and as the cost of CEU's rise, along with insurance and licensing fees, it is forcing me to end my occupation sooner than expected. I love what I do, but cannot afford the 'upkeep' of staying in business. A shame to lose some of your most experienced and valuable people.

Can't imagine how you acquired over a million dollar deficit in only 5-6 yrs. If I ran my business at a deficit every yr. I certainly wouldn't have lasted over 20yrs.