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Dear Members of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health,

My name is Ashley Leduc, and I am a student radiology technologist. I am submitting this written testimony in relation to the public hearing on proposed amendments to 105 CMR 125.000 Licensing of Radiologic Technologists. scheduled in March. I appreciate the opportunity to provide my perspective on this important issue.

As a student who has had to; put their life on hold for two years, pay thousands of dollars, put in thousands of hours at clinical, and hours in classes, to then have that rug slipped out from underneath myself and my fellow peers who have put in the same amount of effort for our new livelihoods is infuriating. We did not join health care because we had to. We did this program because we care for our patients. We could have quit at any time, but we didn’t. The diverse population, necessitates that the care each population needs takes time to learn. I have been in school for two years and still have years to learn. This is no administrative job. There are qualifications in place to keep people safe. For those who think you don’t need to know how to do this job is are purely ignorant. For those who are parents, would you allow an untrained person to take control of your child’s health. Or a child of an older parent with a broken hip crying in pain only to have their hip displaced more because the person under their care does not know how to manage a case as such.

I oppose this new licensure as the system for healthcare should stay up to its high standards for a reason. Massachusetts holds the worlds top hospitals and should be treated as such. Please consider how you or your loved ones should be treated as they enter a hospital and what it would be if there were lower standards in place. People rely on healthcare and should know they will be treated as a priority by those who have gone to school and taken a program to learn how to do so.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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