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To whom this may concern,

My name is Jessica L Combs and I am a Registered Radiologic Technologist in the State of Massachusetts. I am writing to express my strong opposition to the implementation of limited-scope radiography in Massachusetts.

Ensuring patient safety and diagnostic accuracy must remain the highest priority in medical imaging. Radiologic Technologists undergo extensive education and clinical training to master proper imaging techniques, radiation safety, and high-quality diagnostic procedures. In contrast, Limited-Scope X-ray Machine Operators (LXMOs) receive significantly less training, raising serious concerns about image quality, increased radiation exposure, and potential misdiagnoses. Poorly positioned or low-quality images often lead to repeated exposures, delays in care, and higher healthcare costs.

Massachusetts has long been recognized for its commitment to high standards in patient care. Lowering the qualifications required for individuals performing X-ray exams risks compromising the safety and accuracy of diagnostic imaging. I stand in full support of the Massachusetts Society of Radiologic Technologists (MSRT) and their recommendations to uphold strict professional standards in radiologic imaging.

I urge the Department of Public Health to carefully consider these concerns and ensure that any changes to radiologic licensing regulations prioritize patient well-being and maintain the integrity of our profession.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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