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> The Honorable Repersentive Brenda Landwher
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> My name is Anita Popelka. I have been a Massage Therapist in Kansas for the past 18 1/2 years and have done well over 25,000 massages. I am writing to state I do not agree with the licensure of Massage Therapist in Kansas (HB2564).

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> WHO PAYS for us that don't have the schooling but have been in business for many years. Who Pays for our living expenses and bills at home while we are away from home getting schooling for a job we have been successful at for many years? Will the state give us grant money for school and living expenses? I have done the continuing education hours to stay on top of things. Can KANSAS really afford to put people out of work?

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> WHO PAYS for someone to monitor all the Massage Therapist in the State of Kansas if this would pass? There are so many Therapist that aren't even a wear of this bill even taking place. I'm just mortified that AMTA fills they are being fair to the citizens of Kansas to try and pass a bill like this when so few know. When asked at a meeting in Salina how did they contact people to inform them about the meeting they said they did there best and googled and 5 people got letters. So who is really harming who here? AMTA has listed on there site States that have changes in the bill, in DEC of 2011 there were 21 states changing things,in June of 2011 there were 30 states, That's just 2 of the months of the 2 years they have listed. Who Pays for things like this to have to go back thru the House and Senate. What is going to Fund all of this when the State of Kansas is already short on Funds.

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> There is no risk to the public that law enforcement has not been able to handle well. CEU's are expensive and hard to come buy in most of the state especially the further west you go. We need to let all of our citizens continue to work without unnecessary regulations in this economy. Why do we need a National Associations dictating what we do as a state? It's a Kansas Chapter of AMTA but back by the National Associations, that doesn't even seem fair that it is being push thru with there national lobbyist how do we compete with that. In this day and age people are sue happy so if there was real harm to the public there would be law suits and the state of Kansas would know about them, there is none. The National group wants the money that this would provide them with limiting school by there credited schools only, buy passing a national test, and as stated in section 15 page 8 Professional liability insurance coverage shall be maintained in effect. The board shall fix by rules and regulations the minimum level of coverage. Is that stated that way so they can make it where you can only get it thur the National organizations? There again more money for them. These are just a few things i see wrong

with the bill. So again where does all this get funded? By who the tax payers?

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> Sincerely,

> Anita Popelka