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John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman  
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Dear Chairman McGinley:

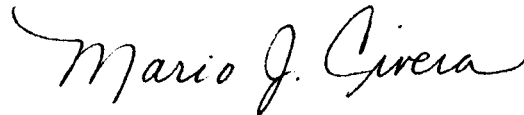
Please be advised that on June 14, 1999, the House Professional Licensure Committee held a meeting to review Regulation 16A-5112, which was submitted by the State Board of Nursing as proposed rulemaking. The Committee voted to take no formal action until final-form regulations are promulgated. However, the Committee submits the following comments:

- (1) The Committee is requesting additional information as to the category of "certification of scores." The Committee is questioning under what circumstances the Board would "certify" an examination score. Additionally, the administrative overhead listed on the fee report form for this service is listed as 9.76, whereas the administrative overhead for all other services is listed as 8.21. The Committee questions the reason for this differential.
- (2) The fee report forms list a total estimated cost for each service based on a formula of staff time expended plus average administrative overhead. However, in all but a few cases, the proposed fee to be charged is rounded up to the nearest five dollar increment. The Committee is requesting an explanation as to why the proposed fees are rounded up and are not the actual cost of services as estimated by the Board.
- (3) In Item 17 of the Regulatory Analysis Form, the Board estimates that the total aggregate additional cost for licensees per biennial period would be approximately \$1,204,345.00. The Committee requests an explanation as to what board expenses or services would justify such an increase.
- (4) For a number of fee categories, the Board includes as a fee-related activity a fee for Board meeting time to review or vote on applications. The Committee requests an explanation as to what Board costs are reflected in that fee.

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Please feel free to contact my office if any questions should arise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mario J. Civera". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "M".

**Mario J. Civera, Chairman**  
**House Professional Licensure Committee**

cc: M. Christine Alichnie, Ph.D., RN, Chairperson  
State Board of Nursing  
Honorable Kim H. Pizzigrilli, Secretary of the Commonwealth  
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