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The Honorable Senator Jonathan A. Harris, Chair
The Honorable Representative Elizabeth B. Ritter Chair
Joint Committee on Public Health
Room 3000, Legislative Office Building
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Senator Harris, Representative Ritter and Members of the Public Health Committee:
This letter is in support of legislation that would regulate and license health care practitioners in Nuclear Medicine Technology in the State of Connecticut. The Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board (NMTCB) is pleased to learn that Connecticut may consider joining 27 other states that offer patients the reassurance of knowing that their Nuclear Medicine Technologist (NMT) has completed a rigorous educational and clinical training program and has demonstrated competency and pursuit of continuing education to the state.

The NMTCB was formed for the purpose of creating and maintaining examinations for NMTs. Since 1978, the NMTCB has offered a high-quality certification exam for NMTs that is accredited by the National Commission on Certifying Agencies (NCCA). The NMTCB certification examination is recognized in the nuclear medicine profession as the premier examination for nuclear medicine technologists. It is also recognized by state licensure agencies throughout the United States and it is recognized by employers as a valid, high-quality certification exam. More recently, the NMTCB offers specialty exams for nuclear medicine technologists who have a high level of knowledge in nuclear cardiology (the NCT exam) and nuclear medicine technologists, radiographers, and radiation therapists who have a high level of knowledge in positron emission tomography (the PET exam).

The people of Connecticut deserve the reassurance that those health care professionals who administer ionizing radiation to them have completed a process of education and training that ensure a safe, effective and efficient experience, and that the education and training has been validated by an appropriate licensure or certification organization.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director