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Dear Sir,

Concerning the upcoming changes about license requirements. I would like to see the code either completely down away with or reduced completely to five words a minute except for extra let it be ten or twelve. I firmly believe that the code requirement is a hindrance to the ham radio growth and the hold up of recruiting good people into ham radio. As long as you have written test that will keep the wrong element of people out of ham radio. code is a thing of the past like the horse and buggy lets move forward. thank you.

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hello, i will keep this as short as possible. instead of having a survey inside amateur radio about keeping code, take a survey outside and see how many people are willing to spend time learning it to get a license. i would bet less than 2% would say yes, i will learn the code to maybe talk to some one a 1000 miles away, or i can go home, turn on my computer, and talk to 100's of people 50,000 miles away, and i did not have to take a test. how many people upgraded last year?? not many, code is dead, the web is where its at. keeping code for hf is like saying we still have to go out and crank our cars to start them, when we have a newer option at our finger tips. these kids out here are going to chips, not tubes. what do the radio companys want. they stand to loose money too if code is kept on board. it is great if you want to use, but as a requirement, it has to go. again, go to the outside, see who wants it and who does not.

greg, n9pug.....

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