
STATE VETERINARY MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD

- Removes the requirement that an individual seeking to take a nationally recognized veterinary examination apply to the State Veterinary Medical Licensing Board for permission to take the examination.
- Increases the cost of an initial veterinary license by \$50.
- Removes the fee charged for examinations offered by the Board.
- Expands the list of veterinary college approval entities to include the Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence of the American Association of State Veterinary Boards and removes the Board's ability to approve other certification programs.

Veterinary licensing

(R.C. 4741.03, 4741.09 (repealed), 4741.11, 4741.12, 4741.17, 4741.19)

The bill makes changes to the law pertaining to veterinary licensing. First, the bill removes a requirement that an individual seeking to take a nationally recognized veterinary examination apply to the State Veterinary Medical Licensing Board for permission to take the examination. It also makes corresponding changes.

Second, the bill increases the cost of an initial veterinary license, as follows:

- To \$425 from \$375 for a two initial license;
- To \$300 from \$250 for a one year initial license.

Third, the bill removes a separate initial license fee for licenses issued by reciprocity in favor of the standard license fee.

Fourth, the bill removes the fee for examinations offered by the Board. The amount of this fee is not prescribed in the Revised or Administrative Codes, but is rather determined by the Board. The bill also removes the right of an applicant who fails the examination to request a written report showing the reasons for the failure.

Finally, the bill expands the list of veterinary college approval entities to include the Program for the Assessment of Veterinary Education Equivalence of the American Association of State Veterinary Boards. A veterinary college in receipt of such an approval has been determined by the Board to provide an education sufficient to meet



the board's education requirement for licensure. The bill also removes the Board's ability to approve other certification programs.

