

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to revise the grounds for the refusal, suspension, or revocation of certain veterinary medicine licenses and certificates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 36-12-22 be amended to read as follows:

36-12-22. The State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners may, in compliance with chapter 1-26, either refuse to issue a license or refuse to issue a certificate of registration or suspend or revoke a license and certificate of registration upon any of the following grounds:

- (1) Fraud or deception in procuring the license;
- (2) The publication or use of any untruthful or improper statement, or representation, with a view of deceiving the public, or any client or customer in connection with the practice of veterinary medicine;
- (3) Habitual intemperance in the use of intoxicating liquors, or habitual addiction to the use of morphine, cocaine, or other habit-forming drugs; or entry of a plea of guilty to, or nolo contendere to, or conviction of a violation of any federal or state law relating to controlled drugs or substances;
- (4) Immoral, unprofessional, or dishonorable conduct manifestly disqualifying the licensee from practicing veterinary medicine;
- (5) Gross malpractice, including failure to furnish to the board, upon written application by it, any report or information relating thereto;
- (6) The employment of an unlicensed person to perform work which under this chapter can lawfully be done only by persons licensed to practice veterinary medicine;
- (7) Fraud or dishonest conduct in applying or reporting diagnostic biological tests or in issuing health certificates;

- (8) Failure to keep one's premises in a reasonably clean and sanitary condition and failure to use reasonably sanitary methods in the practice of veterinary medicine;
- (9) The use, prescription, or sale of any veterinary prescription drug in the absence of a valid veterinary client-patient relationship.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the

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Secretary of the Senate

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President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

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Received at this Executive Office this _____ day of _____ ,

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The attached Act is hereby approved this _____ day of _____ , A.D., 20____

Governor

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA,
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Office of the Secretary of State

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Secretary of State

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