
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERINARY MEDICINE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 471-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3 "(b) In addition to any other actions authorized by law,
4 the board may revoke or suspend the license of any veterinarian
5 or fine the licensee, or both, for any cause authorized by law,
6 including but not limited to the following:

- 7 (1) Professional misconduct, gross negligence, or manifest
8 incapacity;
- 9 (2) Violation of this chapter or the rules adopted
10 pursuant thereto or any other law which applies to the
11 licensee as a practicing veterinarian;
- 12 (3) Making any false representations or promises through
13 advertising or otherwise;
- 14 (4) Habitual intemperance in the use of alcoholic
15 beverages or addiction to the use of narcotic or
16 dangerous substances;
- 17 (5) Mental incompetence;



- 1 (6) Any fraudulent, dishonest, or deceitful act in
- 2 connection with the practice of veterinary medicine;
- 3 (7) Making a false statement in any document submitted or
- 4 required to be filed by this chapter;
- 5 (8) Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action
- 6 by another state of a license or certificate for
- 7 reasons as provided in this section;
- 8 (9) Conviction~~[, whether by nolo contendere or otherwise,~~
- 9 ~~or]~~ of or plea of nolo contendere to a penal offense
- 10 substantially related to the qualifications,
- 11 functions, or duties of a veterinarian,
- 12 notwithstanding any statutory provision to the
- 13 contrary;
- 14 (10) Violation of chapter 329, the uniform controlled
- 15 substances act, or any rule adopted pursuant thereto;
- 16 ~~[or]~~
- 17 (11) Failure to report any disciplinary action taken
- 18 against a licensee in another jurisdiction within
- 19 thirty days after the disciplinary action becomes
- 20 final ~~[or]~~; or
- 21 (12) Conduct or practice contrary to the recognized
- 22 principles of medical ethics of the veterinary

1 profession as adopted by the Hawaii Veterinary Medical
2 Association and the American Veterinary Medical
3 Association."

4 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2010.

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Report Title:

Veterinary Medicine

Description:

Permits the board of veterinary medicine to revoke or suspend a license or fine a licensee for conduct or practice that violates recognized principles of veterinary medical ethics. (SD2)

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