

ACT 121

S. B. NO. 155

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Granting, Revocation or Suspension of Veterinary Licenses.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 471-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“Sec. 471-10 Refusal to grant and revocation or suspension of license.

(a) The board of veterinary examiners may refuse to grant, renew, reinstate or restore a license for any cause which would be ground for revocation of a license under this section. The board may, nevertheless, renew, reinstate or restore any license when it determines that such action is just and may be done consistently with the accomplishment of the purpose of this chapter which is hereby declared to be the protection of the public in matters relating to the practice of veterinary medicine.

(b) Revocation and suspension. The board may revoke or suspend the license of any veterinarian for any of the following causes:

- (1) Professional misconduct, gross negligence or manifest incapacity;
- (2) Conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude;
- (3) Violation of this chapter or any other law which applies to him as a practicing veterinarian;
- (4) Making any false representations or promises through advertising or otherwise or in any manner dealing fraudulently or dishonestly in connection with the practice of veterinary medicine;
- (5) Habitual intemperance in the use of alcoholic beverages or addiction to the use of narcotic or dangerous substances;
- (6) Mental incompetence.

No license shall be suspended for longer than two years.”

SECTION 2. Material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 18, 1973.)

*Edited accordingly.