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House of Representatives COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA **HARRISBURG**

May 12, 1999

John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman Independent Regulatory Review Commission 14th Floor, Harristown 2 333 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Chairman McGinley:

Please be advised that on May 11, 1999, the House Professional Licensure Committee held a meeting to review Regulation 16A-578, which was submitted by the State Board of Veterinary Medicine as proposed rulemaking.

The Committee voted to take no formal action until final-form regulations are promulgated. However, the Committee is requesting additional information as to the category of "certification of license, scores or hours." The Committee is questioning under what circumstances the Board would "certify" an examination score. In the fee report form, the explanations as to what functions the Board staff performs for certification and verification are identical. The Committee requests an explanation as to the distinction between these two categories and what accounts for the differential in fees.

Please feel free to contact my office if any questions should arise.

Sincerely,

Mario J. Civera, Chairman

House Professional Licensure Committee

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cc: Jeffrey M. Ott, V.M.D., Chairman State Board of Veterinary Medicine Hon. Kim H. Pizzingrilli, Secretary of the Commonwealth Department of State

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