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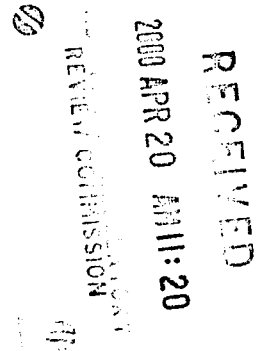
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*House of Representatives*  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
HARRISBURG

April 18, 2000

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



Dear Chairman McGinley:

I am writing to inform you that the House Professional Licensure Committee held a meeting on April 18, 2000, and voted to approve Regulation 16A-5710, Regulation 16A-673, Regulation 16A-5112, Regulation 16A-566, and Regulation 16A-633.

In addition, the Committee voted to table Regulation 16A-657 until the committee meeting scheduled for May 2, 2000.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mario J. Civera".

Mario J. Civera, Chairman  
House Professional Licensure Committee

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Enclosures

cc: Brian V. Harpster, V.M.D., Chairman  
State Board of Veterinary Medicine  
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**Regulation 16A-5710**

**State Board of Veterinary Medicine**

**PROPOSAL:** Regulation 16A-5710 amends 49 PA Code, Chapter 31, regulations of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine. The amendment replaces the current licensure examination, which will be administered for the final time on April 11-12, 2000, with the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE).

The proposed Rulemaking was omitted and Regulation 16A-5710 was delivered to the Professional Licensure Committee on April 7, 2000, as an Order of Final Rulemaking. The Professional Licensure Committee has until April 27, 2000, to approve or disapprove the regulation.

**ANALYSIS:** The current uniform national examination for licensure, the National Board Examination (NBE) and the Clinical Competency Test (CCT), will be replaced with the NAVLE. This new uniform examination will be required for all applicants for licensure in the United States and Canada. The Board also intends to eliminate the requirement that applicants take the Pennsylvania Veterinary Legal Practice Examination (PVLPE). The first administration of the NAVLE will be in late November-mid December, 2000. The current fees of \$210.00 for the NBE and \$185.00 for the CCT, or \$350.00 if both are taken at one sitting, will be replaced with a single fee of \$325.00 for the NAVLE. The \$87.00 fee for the PVLPE will also be eliminated.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** It is recommended that the Professional Licensure Committee approve the regulation.

House of Representatives  
Professional Licensure Committee  
April 13, 2000