

# Regulatory Analysis Form

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(1) Agency  
Department of State, Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs, State Board of *Veterinary Medicine*

(2) I.D. Number (Governor's Office Use)  
*16A-5713*

(3) Short Title  
*16A-5713 Examinations, Application for Licensure and Certification, Fees*

(4) PA Code Cite  
49 Pa. Code §§31.3, 31.35 and 31.41

(5) Agency Contacts & Telephone Numbers  
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(6) Type of Rulemaking (check one)  
 Proposed Rulemaking  
 Final Order Adopting Regulation  
 Final Order, Proposed Rulemaking Omitted

(7) Is a 120-Day Emergency Certification Attached?  
 No  
 Yes: By the Attorney General  
 Yes: By the Governor

(8) Briefly explain the regulation in clear and nontechnical language.

The proposed regulation eliminates references to the amount paid by applicants to take the North American Veterinary Licensure Examination and the Veterinary Technician National Examination. The fees for these examinations are set by the testing organization and not by the Board.

The proposed regulation also directs applicants for licensure as a veterinary technician to submit the examination fee directly to the testing organization.

Finally, the proposed regulation sets forth the information that must be provided on the application form by applicants for licensure as a veterinary technician.

(9) State the statutory authority for the regulation and any relevant state or federal court decisions.

The proposed amendments are authorized by Section 13 of the Veterinary Medicine Practice Act, Act of Dec. 27, 1974, P.L. 995 ("Act"), as amended, 63 P.S. §485.13, which provides that the Board shall fix the fees required for examination by regulation. The proposed amendment regarding information provided by technician applicants is authorized by Section 11 of the Act, 63 P.S. §485.11, which provides that the Board shall promulgate by regulation the qualifications and requirements for certification of animal health technicians.

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(10) Is the regulation mandated by any federal or state law or court order, or federal regulation? If yes, cite the specific law, case or regulation, and any deadlines for action.

**The regulation is not mandated by any federal or state law or court order.**

(11) Explain the compelling public interest that justifies the regulation. What is the problem it addresses?

**Examination fees are set by the national testing organization that administers the examinations. Eliminating references to the current examination fee in the regulations will obviate the need to amend the regulations in the future should the examination fees be changed.**

(12) State the public health, safety, environmental or general welfare risks associated with nonregulation.

**There are no specific public health, safety, environmental or general welfare risks associated with nonregulation.**

(13) Describe who will benefit from the regulation. (Quantify the benefits as completely as possible and approximate the number of people who will benefit.)

**Applicants for licensure will benefit by not having potentially conflicting sources of information relating to examination fees. The Board will benefit because the regulation will eliminate the need to make future adjustments to its regulations should the fees be changed.**

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(14) Describe who will be adversely affected by the regulation. (Quantify the adverse effects as completely as possible and approximate the number of people who will be adversely affected.)

**The Board has identified no groups or individuals who will be adversely affected by the regulation.**

(15) List the persons, groups or entities that will be required to comply with the regulation. (Approximate the number of people who will be required to comply.)

**All applicants for the national veterinary or national veterinary technician examination are required to pay the fee set by the testing organization. This regulation does not affect the fee charged by the testing organization.**

(16) Describe the communications with and input from the public in the development and drafting of the regulation. List the persons and/or groups who were involved, if applicable.

**The text of the proposed regulation was sent to state and regional veterinary and veterinary technician organizations for pre-draft commentary on June 20, 2000. No comments were received during the 30 day comment period.**

(17) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to the regulated community associated with compliance, including any legal, accounting or consulting procedures which may be required.

**No specific costs or savings to the regulated community are anticipated. However, the general operational costs of the Board may be reduced by eliminating the need to make future amendments to the Board's regulations.**

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(18) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to local governments associated with compliance, including any legal, accounting or consulting procedures which may be required.

**There are no anticipated costs or savings to local government associated with this regulation.**

(19) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to state government associated with the implementation of the regulation, including any legal, accounting, or consulting procedures which may be required.

**Because the Board's operational expenses are paid from license renewal fees, there are no anticipated costs or savings to state government associated with this regulation.**

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(20) In the table below, provide an estimate of the fiscal savings and costs associated with implementation and compliance for the regulated community, local government, and state government for the current year and five subsequent years.

	Current FY	FY +1	FY +2	FY +3	FY +4	FY +5
<b>SAVINGS:</b>	NA					
<b>Regulated</b>						
<b>Local Government</b>						
<b>State Government</b>						
<b>Total Savings</b>						
<b>COSTS:</b>	NA					
<b>Regulated</b>						
<b>Local Government</b>						
<b>State Government</b>						
<b>Total Costs</b>						
<b>REVENUE LOSSES:</b>	NA					
<b>Regulated</b>						
<b>Local Government</b>						
<b>State Government</b>						
<b>Total Revenue Losses</b>						

(20a) Explain how the cost estimates listed above were derived.

NA

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(20b) Provide the past three year expenditure history for programs affected by the regulation.

N/A

Program	FY -3	FY -2	FY -1	Current FY

(21) Using the cost-benefit information provided above, explain how the benefits of the regulation outweigh the adverse effects and costs.

**There are no adverse effects or costs associated with the regulation. The regulated community will benefit because the Board will not be required to make any future amendments to its regulations to conform to changing costs of the licensing examinations.**

(22) Describe the nonregulatory alternatives considered and the costs associated with those alternatives. Provide the reasons for their dismissal.

**Because the fees are currently announced in the Board's regulations, no non-regulatory alternatives were considered.**

(23) Describe alternative regulatory schemes considered and the costs associated with those schemes. Provide the reasons for their dismissal.

**The Board considered waiting until the examination fees were changed to make this change to its regulation, but determined that the change should be made before any change in fees, in order to eliminate potential confusion applicants may experience if the testing organization advertised a fee different than the fee listed in the regulation.**

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(24) Are there any provisions that are more stringent than federal standards? If yes, identify the specific provisions and the compelling Pennsylvania interest that demands stronger regulation.

**There are no federal standards relevant to the regulation.**

(25) How does this regulation compare with those of other states? Will the regulation put Pennsylvania at a competitive disadvantage with other states?

**The examinations required for Pennsylvania licensure are uniform national examinations. The fees charged are uniform throughout the U.S.**

(26) Will the regulation affect existing or proposed regulations of the promulgating agency or other state agencies? If yes, explain and provide specific citations.

**The regulation will not affect any existing or proposed regulations of the Board or other state agencies.**

(27) Will any public hearings or informational meetings be scheduled? Please provide the dates, times, and locations, if available.

**The Board meets in public session at least six times per year in Harrisburg, PA. Comments from the public are always invited at the Board's meetings. The meeting dates for 2000 are as follows: August, September, November.**

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(28) Will the regulation change existing reporting, record keeping, or other paperwork requirements? Describe the changes and attach copies of forms or reports which will be required as a result of implementation, if available.

**The regulation will not change any existing reporting, record keeping or other paperwork requirement.**

(29) Please list any special provisions which have been developed to meet the particular needs of affected groups or persons including, but not limited to, minorities, elderly, small businesses, and farmers.

**The Board has identified no particular groups or persons who will be affected by the regulation.**

(30) What is the anticipated effective date of the regulation; the date by which compliance with the regulation will be required; and the date by which any required permits, licenses or other approvals must be obtained?

**The regulation will be effective upon final publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.**

(31) Provide the schedule for continual review of the regulation.

**The Board continuously reviews its regulations.**



As a result of the audit, the Board proposes to increase 17 existing fees and to decrease two fees. The analysis determined that current fees do not accurately reflect the actual cost of processing applications and providing other services.

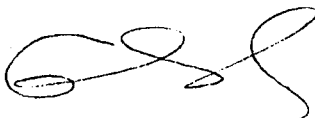
In this proposal, fees for the services identified would be adjusted to allocate costs to those who use the service or submit an application. The Board would continue to apportion its enforcement and operating costs to the general licensing population when the Board makes its biennial reconciliation of revenues and expenditures.

The Board is also taking this opportunity to consolidate its fees under one section. The Board is also eliminating references to nationally established examination fees over which the Board has no control or involvement.

The General Assembly has indicated its preference for the recognition of national uniform examinations and grading services in accordance with Section 812.1 of the Administrative Code of 1929, Act of April 9, 1929, P.L. 177, as amended, 71 P.S. §279.3a. Over the past several years national uniform examinations have been developed for every category of license the Board issues. The fees for the examinations are established by the national examiners and communicated directly to the applicants. Applicants for these exams pay the examination fees directly to national examiners. Thus, it is unnecessary and impractical for the Board to continue to publish the national examiners' examination fees in the Board's regulations. Since examination fees are no longer established by the Board, Section 6 of the Medical Practice Act is inapplicable as to national uniform examinations. Thus, the Board is eliminating reference to these examination fees.

D. Description of Proposed Amendments

The following table outlines the affected application fees, proposed changes and date the indicated fee was last changed:

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
49 PA. CODE, CHAPTER 31  
Examinations, Application for Licensure and Certification, Fees

The State Board of Veterinary Medicine (Board) proposes to amend 49 Pa. Code §§31.3, .11, .32 - .35 and .41 (relating to applications and examinations) as set forth in Annex A. The proposed rulemaking would amend the Board's regulations to accurately reflect the provision and submission of applications for licensure as a veterinarian and for certification as an animal health technician. In addition, the proposed rulemaking deletes references to the fees charged by the testing organizations from the schedule of fees for both the national veterinary examination and national veterinary technician examination. Finally, the proposed rulemaking reflects the additional questions relating to an applicant's background that appear on the application for certification as an animal health technician.

### **Effective Date**

The regulation would be effective on final publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

### **Statutory Authority**

Section 5 of the Veterinary Medicine Practice Act (Act), Act of December 27, 1974, P.L. 995, as amended, 63 P.S. §485.5, sets forth the powers and duties of the Board. Section 5(7) of the Act, 63 P.S. §485.5(7), directs the Board to prescribe the subject, character, manner, time and place of the filing of applications for examinations. In addition, section 11 of the Act, 63 P.S. §485.11, directs the Board to promulgate by regulation the qualifications and requirements for the certification and regulation of animal health technicians.

### **Background and Need for Amendment**

#### *Provision and Submission of Applications*

The amendments proposed to sections 31.3 and 31.11 reflect the changes that have been made to the applications for licensure by examination for veterinarians. By way of final rulemaking published at 30 Pa. B. 3044 (June 17, 2000), the Board established the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination ("NAVLE"), administered by the National Board Examination Committee, as the examination required for licensure in the Commonwealth. Applicants for licensure by examination must request the application for this examination from the Board and then must submit the application form, along with the required fee, directly to the testing organization. A separate application form is mailed to applicants with the examination application; this application must be completed and returned to the Board.

The National Board Examination Committee sets the deadline by which applications must be received, therefore, references to the time by which the examination application must be submitted is deleted from the regulation. In contrast, the application form that is submitted to the Board must be

submitted at least 60 days prior to the first day of the administration of the NAVLE, so this information is added to the regulation.

The amendments proposed to sections 31.33, 31.34 and 31.35 reflect changes to the application procedure for applicants for certification as an animal health technician.

The proposed amendments to section 31.33 reflect that applicants for certification by examination receive two application forms from the professional testing organization. One of the forms is returned, with the examination fee, to the professional testing organization. The second application form is returned, with the required fee, to the Board. The proposed amendments to section 31.33 also reflect that there is only one application for certification by endorsement and that this application is obtained from and submitted to the Board.

The proposed amendment to section 31.34 clarifies that a person who wishes to take the veterinary technician national examination must be a graduate of an approved school. This amendment clarifies the Board's position that only graduates of approved schools who are seeking certification as an animal health technician may qualify to take the examination. A person who wishes to take the examination solely for the purpose of assisting legitimate applicants to pass the test do not qualify to take the examination.

The proposed amendments to section 31.35 serve to reflect that the professional testing organization, not the Board, determines the frequency and location of the Veterinary Technician National Examination. In addition, because the professional testing organization, not the Board, determines the fee charged for the examination, the proposed amendment deletes references to the cost of the examination in the Board's schedule of fees (section 31.41).

*Additional Requirements for Certification as an Animal Health Technician*

The proposed amendments to section 31.32 of the regulations reflect that the technician application contains questions related to an applicant's criminal history and history of licensure in other states. The proposed amendment requires that an applicant for licensure as an animal health technician disclose whether they have ever been licensed as such in another state and whether another state's licensing board has ever taken disciplinary action against that license. In addition, the proposed amendment would require applicants to disclose whether they had ever been convicted of a felony prohibited by The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, 35 P.S. §780-101 *et seq.*, or any felony relating to a controlled substance in another court, unless the conviction is more than 10 years old. The proposed amendments parallel the requirements for licensure as a veterinarian set forth in the section 9 of the Act, 63 P.S. §485.9. The proposed amendment would not automatically preclude an applicant with a felony record related to a drug offense from obtaining certification; however, such an applicant would be required to demonstrate to the Board that they are no longer at risk of committing drug-related offenses.

Because the grant of a license to practice as an animal health technician may permit the licensee access to controlled substances and other drugs, the Board believes it is appropriate to conduct the same type of pre-screening of these applicants as is conducted for applicants seeking licensure as a veterinarian.

#### Elimination of References to Examination Fees

The proposed amendments to section 31.41 of the regulations, the schedule of fees, delete references to the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination fee of \$325 and the Veterinary Technician National Examination fee of \$125. These fees are set by the administrators of the examinations, not by the Board. The fees are uniform throughout the United States. In order to avoid the necessity of amending its regulations whenever the examination administrator might change the fees, the Board proposes to delete references to the fees.

#### Description of Proposed Amendments

The proposed rulemaking would amend the Board's regulations to reflect that the two applications for veterinary licensure are obtained from the Administrative Office of the Board and that one application is returned to the Board and one application is submitted, along with the required fee, directly to the National examination administrator. The proposed rulemaking would also amend the Board's regulations to reflect that the two applications for animal health technician certification are obtained directly from the professional testing organization and that one application is returned to the Board and one application is submitted, along with the required fee, directly to the testing organization. Finally, the proposed rulemaking would delete references to the cost of the veterinary examination and veterinary technician examination because these fees are set by the National examination administrator and professional testing organization and not by the Board.

#### Fiscal Impact

The proposed amendments will have no fiscal impact on the Board or its licensees. The proposed amendments should have no fiscal impact on the private sector, the general public or political subdivisions.

#### Paperwork Requirements

The proposed regulation will require the Board to alter some of its forms to reflect the new biennial renewal fees; however, the proposed regulations should not create additional paperwork for the private sector.

### Sunset Date

The Board monitors its regulations on a continuing basis. Therefore, no sunset date has been assigned.

### Regulatory Review

Pursuant to Section 5(a) of the Regulatory Review Act, the Act of June 30, 1989 (P.L. 73), as amended, 71 P.S. §745.5(a), the Board submitted a copy of this proposed regulation on \_\_\_\_\_ to the Independent Regulatory Review Commission and the Chairpersons of the House Professional Licensure Committee and Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee for review and comment. In addition to submitting the proposed regulation, the Board has provided the Commission and the Committees with a copy of a detailed Regulatory Analysis Form prepared by the Board in compliance with Executive Order 1996-1, "Regulatory Review and Promulgation." A copy of this material is available to the public upon request.

If the Commission has any objections to any portion of the proposed regulation, it will notify the Board within ten days after the expiration of the Committees' review period. Such notification shall specify the regulatory review criteria which have not been met by that portion. The Act specifies detailed procedures for review, prior to final publication of the regulation, by the Board, the General Assembly and the Governor of objections raised.

### Public Comment

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, suggestions or objections regarding this proposed rulemaking to Robert Kline, Administrator, State Board of Veterinary Medicine, P.O. Box 2649, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-2649, within 30 days following publication of this proposed rulemaking in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

Annex A

TITLE 49. PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL STANDARDS  
PART I. DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Subpart A. Professional and Occupational Affairs  
CHAPTER 31. STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

GENERAL PROVISIONS

§31.3. Examinations

(a) The examination required as a prerequisite to original licensure as a veterinarian is the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE). The examination will be given at least annually [and at other times deemed appropriate by the Board, in consultation with] by the National Board Examination Committee.

(b) Applications to take the licensing examinations, together with instructions for applicants, including deadlines for filing and paying fees, may be obtained from the Administrative Office of the Board by [writing or telephoning] contacting the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, Post Office Box 2649, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17105-2649. [, (717) 783-1389], veterina@pados.dos.state.pa.us.

(c) Examination applications and the fee required [by §31.41 (relating to schedule of fees)] shall be submitted directly to the National Board Examination Committee [professional testing organization designated by the Board at least 60 days prior to the examination date].

LICENSURE

§31.11. Application for licensure.

(a) *Application forms.* Application forms for original or reciprocal licensure may be obtained from the Administrative Office of the Board by [writing or telephoning] contacting the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, Post Office Box 2649, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-2649 [, (717) 763-1389], veterina@pados.state.pa.us, or by accessing the Board's web page at [www.dos.state.pa.us/bpoa/vetbd/mainpage.htm](http://www.dos.state.pa.us/bpoa/vetbd/mainpage.htm). Application forms must be returned to the Board at least 60 days prior to the first day of the NAVLE testing period.

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## ANIMAL HEALTH TECHNICIANS AND NONCERTIFIED EMPLOYEES

### §31.32. Certification.

(a) The Board will grant certification as an animal health technician to an applicant who has [fulfilled the following criteria] provided the following:

(1) A completed and signed application for animal health technician certification.

~~[(1)]~~(2) Evidence of satisfactory performance [of] on the proficiency examination as determined by the Board.

~~[(2)]~~(3) Evidence of satisfactory completion of an approved program for the training and education of animal technicians.

(4) A letter of good standing from the licensure board of each state where the applicant has held a license as an animal health technician, if any, reporting the outcome of disciplinary actions taken against the applicant in that state.

(5) A statement from the applicant that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony under The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act (35 P.S. 1780-101 - 780-144), or convicted of a felony relating to a controlled substance in a court of law of the United States or any other state, territory or country unless the following apply:

(i) At least 10 years have elapsed from the date of conviction.

(ii) The applicant satisfactorily demonstrates to the Board that the applicant has made significant progress in personal rehabilitation since the conviction so that licensure of the applicant should not be expected to create a substantial risk of harm to the health and safety of patients or the public or a substantial risk of further criminal violations.

(iii) The applicant otherwise satisfies the qualifications contained in the Board's regulations.

(b) The fee for application for [initial] certification is as specified at §31.41 (relating to schedule of fees).



**§31.33. Applications.**

(a) An applicant for certification by examination shall complete and file an application with the Board as specified in §31.32 and remit to the Board the fee specified in §31.41. An applicant for certification by examination [as an animal health technician] shall also complete and file an application for the veterinary technician national examination and the required fee directly with the professional testing organization, [designated by the Board an Animal Health Technician Certification Application. Both applications may be obtained from the professional testing organization. [Applications shall be filed with the professional testing organization at least 60 days prior to the examination date.]

(b) An applicant for certification as an animal health technician by endorsement shall complete and file with the Board an application for certification by endorsement on forms prescribed by the Board. The application form may be obtained from the Administrative Office of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, Post Office Box 2649, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-2649 or by accessing the Board's web page at [www.dos.state.pa.us/bpoa/vetbd/mainpage.htm](http://www.dos.state.pa.us/bpoa/vetbd/mainpage.htm).

[(c) Application forms may be obtained from the Administrative Office of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, Post Office Box 2649, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17105-2649, or by telephone at (717) 783-1389.]

**§31.34. Qualification for examination.**

An applicant for examination [certification as an animal health technician] shall be a graduate of an approved school.

**§31.35. Examinations.**

(a) The examination required for certification as an animal health technician is the Veterinary Technician National Examination (VTNE). [The examination will be offered at least once annually in this Commonwealth at a location to be determined by the Board, in consultation with the professional testing organization under contract with Board.]

(b) An applicant failing to pass an examination for which the applicant has previously qualified shall be reexamined at the applicant's request by submitting a new application and by paying the required fee, [as specified in §31.41 (relating to schedule of fees.)]

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**FEES**

**§31.41. Schedule of fees.**

An applicant for a license, certificate or service shall submit a payment at the time of the request under the following fee schedule:

*Veterinarians:*

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[North American Veterinary Licensing Examination ..... \$325]

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*Animal Health Technicians:*

[Veterinary Technical National Examination (VTNE)  
(Effective January 1996) ..... \$125]



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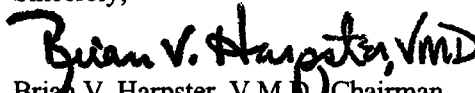
**RE: Proposed Regulations of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Pertaining to Exam, Application and Certification Fees (16A-5713)**

Dear Chairman McGinley:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposed rulemaking package of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine. This package is being resubmitted under Section 745.5(e), of the Regulatory Review Act.

The State Board of Veterinary Medicine, as always, will be pleased to provide your committee with any assistance it may require during the course of its review of this regulation.

Sincerely,

  
Brian V. Harpster, V.M.D. Chairman  
State Board of Veterinary Medicine

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The Honorable Clarence D. Bell, Majority Chairman  
Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee  
SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA  
20 Main Capitol, East Wing  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

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SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA  
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The Honorable Mario J. Civera, Majority Chairman  
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Room 105, Matthew K. Ryan Building  
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Sincerely,

  
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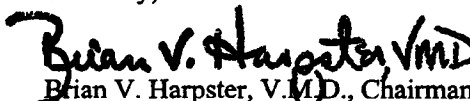
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**TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR REGULATIONS SUBJECT TO THE  
REGULATORY REVIEW ACT**

I.D. NUMBER: 16A-5713

SUBJECT: State Board of Veterinary Medicine - Examinations, Application for Licensure & Certification Fees

AGENCY: DEPARTMENT OF STATE # 2160

**TYPE OF REGULATION**

- X Proposed Regulation
- Final Regulation
- Final Regulation with Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Omitted
- 120-day Emergency Certification of the Attorney General
- 120-day Emergency Certification of the Governor
- Delivery of Tolled Regulation
  - a. With Revisions
  - b. Without Revisions

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