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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

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July 15, 2010

Robin J. Bernstein, Esq., Chair
State Board of Veterinary Medicine
2601 North 3rd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Re: Regulation #16A-5723 (IRRC #2788)
State Board of Veterinary Medicine
Biennial Renewal Fees

Dear Mr. Bernstein:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

Pursuant to Section 7(d) of the Regulatory Review Act, the standing committees have 14 days to review this regulation and report to the state House of Representatives and Senate a concurrent resolution. If this 14-day period expires and neither committee reports a concurrent resolution, the committees will be deemed to have approved the report. Accordingly, the Department may proceed with promulgation of this regulation. 71 P.S. § 745.7(d); 1 Pa. Code § 311.5.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

Arthur Coccodrilli

Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Robert M. Tomlinson, Majority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Michael P. McGeehan, Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Julie Harhart, Minority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Basil L. Merenda, Acting Secretary, Department of State

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held July 15, 2010

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Regulation No. 16A-5723 (#2788)
State Board of Veterinary Medicine
Biennial Renewal Fees

On September 2, 2009, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Veterinary Medicine (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code § 31.41. The proposed regulation was published in the September 19, 2009 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on March 11, 2010. At its April 22, 2010 public meeting, the Commission voted to disapprove the final-form regulation. On June 7, 2010, the Board submitted its report containing the revised final-form regulation to the Commission.


This final-form rulemaking provides for incremental biennial license renewal fee increases for veterinarians and veterinary technicians.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. § 485.13(a)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.





Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman