

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION  
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held November 21, 2019

George D. Bedwick, Chairman  
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Regulation No. 16A-5727 (#3221)  
State Board of Veterinary Medicine  
Certified Veterinary Technicians and  
Veterinary Assistants

On November 7, 2018, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Veterinary Medicine (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapter 31. The proposed regulation was published in the November 24, 2018 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a public comment period ending on December 24, 2018. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on October 10, 2019.

This rulemaking removes the 10-year bar on certification or automatic renewal for certified veterinary technicians who have been convicted of a felony under the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act. It also amends, updates and clarifies rules related to examination, rules of conduct and reactivation of a license.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. §§ 485.5 and 485.11) 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.



  
George D. Bedwick, Chairman