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David Sumner, Executive Director
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
333 Market Street, 14th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Mr. Sumner,

On behalf of the House Professional Licensure Committee, we are writing to inform you the Committee wishes to take no formal action on the following proposed regulation until final regulation is promulgated and to submit the following comments:

Proposed Regulation 16A-5726 — State Board of Veterinary Medicine

Sections 31.108 (f) and 31.112 (c)(1) and (e)(3) – These sections reference hard copy records related to euthanasia drugs, such as a controlled substance log and a master log book. The committee seeks clarification as to why records documenting euthanasia drugs, their purchase, receipt, use, inventory and/or disposal, must be kept in hard copy. The committee recommends the board consider allowing digital records to be permissible, especially in light of requiring certificate holders to provide reports every 60 days to the Board and to have records maintained “in a readily retrievable file.”

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of David S. Hickernell in cursive.

David S. Hickernell, Majority Chair
Professional Licensure Committee

Handwritten signature of Frank Burns in cursive.

Frank Burns, Minority Chair
Professional Licensure Committee

CC: Nicole Sidle, Majority Committee Executive Director
Kari Orchard, Minority Committee Executive Director