

1 board; or

2 (B) Be a graduate of a foreign veterinary school and hold a
3 certificate of competence issued by a foreign veterinary graduate
4 educational organization as approved by the board;

5 (3) Have passed the examinations required by the board;

6 (4) Be at least eighteen years of age;

7 (5) Be a citizen of the United States or be eligible for
8 employment in the United States;

9 (6) Not have been convicted of a crime involving moral
10 turpitude;

11 (7) Not have been convicted of a felony under the laws of any
12 jurisdiction within five years preceding the date of application
13 for licensure which conviction remains unreversed; and

14 (8) Not have been convicted of a misdemeanor or a felony under
15 the laws of any jurisdiction at any time if the offense for which
16 the applicant was convicted related to the practice of veterinary
17 medicine or animal abuse or neglect.

18 (b) A person seeking a license under the provisions of this
19 article shall submit an application on a form prescribed by the
20 board and pay all applicable fees.

21 (c) An applicant from another jurisdiction shall comply with
22 all the requirements of this article if practicing for less than
23 five years. Veterinarians practicing five years or more in another

1 state are exempt from the national examination requirement and may
2 apply for license by endorsement.

3 (d) A license to practice veterinary medicine issued by the
4 board prior to July 1, 2010, shall for all purposes be considered
5 a license issued under this article and may be renewed under this
6 article.

7 (e) An application for a license to practice veterinary
8 medicine submitted to the board prior to July 1, 2010, shall be
9 considered in conformity with the licensing provisions of this
10 article and the rules promulgated thereunder in effect at the time
11 of the submission of the application.

12 (f) Notwithstanding the rules regarding licensure, the board
13 shall issue a license by endorsement, without the national
14 examination requirement, to a qualified applicant who:

15 (1) Graduated from an accredited school of veterinary
16 medicine;

17 (2) Currently holds a license issued by another state for at
18 least five years and is in good standing; and

19 (3) An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall:

20 (A) Request in writing to the board to be licensed by
21 endorsement and pay a fee of \$200;

22 (B) Have official transcripts be sent directly to the board
23 from the veterinary school they graduated from; and

1 (C) Have a letter of good standing sent to the board from the
2 state(s) they are currently licensed in or have held a license to
3 practice veterinary medicine.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to allow the licensure of certain veterinarians by endorsement.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.