

HOUSE BILL NO. 137

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE LEGISLATIVE BUDGET AND
AUDIT COMMITTEE

Introduced: 2/13/97

Referred: Labor and Commerce

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to veterinarians; extending the termination date of the Board
2 of Veterinary Examiners; and providing for an effective date."

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 * **Section 1.** AS 08.03.010(c)(20) is amended to read:

5 (20) Board of Veterinary Examiners (AS 08.98.010) - June 30, 2003
6 [1997].

7 * **Sec. 2.** AS 08.98.184 is amended to read:

8 **Sec. 08.98.184. Licensure by credentials.** The board shall approve the
9 issuance of a license to an applicant who holds a valid license to practice veterinary
10 medicine in another state, territory, or country [WITH LICENSING REQUIREMENTS
11 SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO OR HIGHER THAN THOSE OF THIS STATE
12 WHICH WERE IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THE APPLICANT OBTAINED A
13 LICENSE IN THE OTHER JURISDICTION] if the applicant has

14 (1) [HAS GRADUATED FROM AN ACCREDITED SCHOOL OF

1 VETERINARY MEDICINE OR HAS SUCCESSFULLY] passed the **national board**
2 examination **for veterinary medicine prepared under the authority** of the National
3 Board Examination **Committee (NBEC), the National Board of Veterinary Medical**
4 **Examiners, or the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB), or**
5 **an examination determined by the board to be equivalent to any of these**
6 **examinations; however, if, at the time the applicant became licensed in the other**
7 **jurisdiction, this state did not require a passing score on a national examination**
8 **described in this paragraph, the applicant can satisfy the examination**
9 **requirement of this paragraph by demonstrating that the applicant has passed the**
10 **type of licensing examination that was required for entry level licensees in this**
11 **state at the time the applicant became licensed in the other jurisdiction**
12 [COMMITTEE'S EDUCATION COMMISSION FOR FOREIGN VETERINARY
13 GRADUATES];

14 (2) [HAS] been engaged in the active practice of veterinary medicine
15 for at least five of the seven years before filing the application;

16 (3) [HAS] not failed the state written or practical examination;

17 (4) [HAS] no disciplinary proceeding, unresolved complaints, or
18 professional association review proceedings pending at the time a license is to be
19 issued, and has not had a veterinarian license revoked for cause in another jurisdiction;
20 and

21 (5) [HAS] paid required fees.

22 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect July 1, 1997.