

Sec. 43.20.180. **Credits against Tax.** The amounts deducted and withheld as taxes under secs. 170 - 173 of this chapter during a calendar year are allowed as

credits to the taxpayer against the tax imposed by this chapter.

Sec. 3. This Act takes effect January 1, 1964.

Approved April 20, 1963

## CHAPTER 91

### AN ACT

**Licensing veterinarians; and providing for an effective date.**

(C.S.H.B. 127)

**Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:**

Section 1. AS 08 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

#### **Chapter 98. Veterinarians.**

##### **Article 1.**

#### **Board of Veterinarian Examiners.**

Sec. 08.98.010 **Creation and Membership of Board.** There is created a Board of Veterinarian Examiners. It consists of three licensed veterinarians.

Sec. 08.98.020. **Appointment and Term of Office.** The governor shall appoint the members of the board, with the confirmation of the legislature, for terms of four years, or until their successors are appointed. A member serves at the pleasure of the governor. The first members shall be appointed initially for two-, three-, and four-year terms.

Sec. 08.98.030. **Executive Secretary of Board.** The commissioner of commerce is the executive secretary of the board.

Sec. 08.98.040. **Board Meetings.** The board shall hold a regular annual meeting. The board may hold special meetings at the call of the chairman with prior approval of the governor.

Sec. 08.98.050. **Duties of the Board.** The board shall

(1) pass on qualifications of applicants for licenses and issue licenses to those who qualify;

(2) prepare and grade examinations;

(3) after hearing, have the authority to suspend or revoke the license of a

licensed veterinarian who

(A) obtained his license by fraud, misrepresentation, or deception;

(B) is chronically drunk or is a drug addict;

(C) makes untruthful statements about his professional ability, to solicit business;

(D) distributes alcohol or drugs except as required by the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery, or dentistry;

(E) in his professional capacity, conducts himself in a way that indicates that he is not a competent veterinarian;

(F) is convicted of a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude.

Sec. 08.98.060. **Board Regulations.** (a) The board shall adopt procedural regulations describing how a person applies for and takes an examination under this chapter.

(b) The board shall adopt substantive regulations

(1) defining conduct which, if engaged in by a veterinarian, is evidence of incompetence;

(2) specifying approved schools under sec. 170(1) of this chapter;

(3) specifying the subject matter to be covered in an examination for veterinarians.

Sec. 08.98.070. **Duties of the Department.** The department shall furnish the board with administrative services, in-

cluding renting space for holding examinations, proctoring examinations, printing examinations, printing and mailing licenses, sending notices, before December 1 of each year, that licenses must be renewed, collecting fees and issuing receipts, keeping a current register of licensees, employing secretarial assistants, replying to routine requests for information, printing forms and informational bulletins, typing all matter to be reproduced, maintaining records and completed examinations, and keeping records of receipts and disbursements.

**Sec. 08.98.080. Department Regulations.** The department shall adopt procedural regulations necessary to carry out the duties imposed on it by sec. 70 of this chapter.

**Sec. 08.98.090. Applicability of the Administrative Procedure Act.** The Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) applies to regulations and proceedings under this chapter.

**Sec. 08.98.100. Compensation.** Members of the board are entitled to per diem allowances and transportation expenses allowed by law and paid members of other state examining boards.

## Article 2. Licensing.

**Sec. 08.98.120. License Required.** No person may practice veterinary medicine, surgery, or dentistry unless he is licensed under this chapter.

**Sec. 08.98.130. Examination.** A person who passes the examination given by the board is entitled to be licensed as a veterinarian.

**Sec. 08.98.140. Content of Examination.** The examination shall be in veterinary anatomy, surgery, medicine, obstetrics, pathology, chemistry, diagnosis, materia medica, therapeutics, physiology, sanitary medicine, dentistry, and other scientific subjects related to the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry.

**Sec. 08.98.150. Administration of Examination.** The board shall offer examinations at least once a year. Examinations shall be so administered that one who grades a written examination does not know whose paper he is grading. The department shall maintain files of examination papers and shall make them

available for public inspection.

**Sec. 08.98.160. Re-examination.** A person who fails an examination may apply for a subsequent examination, but shall pay the examination fee each time he applies.

**Sec. 08.98.170. Qualification for Examination.** A person is entitled to take the examination who

(1) was graduated from a school of veterinary medicine approved by the board;

(2) is at least 21 years of age;

(3) has completed application forms and returned them to the board;

(4) has paid the examination fee specified in sec. 190 of this chapter;

(5) has not had a veterinarian license revoked for cause in another jurisdiction.

**Sec. 08.98.180. Temporary License.** A person who meets the requirements of sec. 170(1) and (2) of this chapter, who has completed application forms and returned them to the board, and who has paid the temporary license fee is entitled to be licensed. The board may waive the requirements of sec. 170(3) and (4) of this chapter if, in its discretion, such action is warranted. A license issued under this section is valid until the results of the examination following the issuance of the license are published. No person may receive more than one license under this section.

**Sec. 08.98.190. Fees.** The fee to take the examination is \$25. The annual renewal fee is \$10. The fee for an out-of-state license is \$25. The fee for a temporary license is \$10.

**Sec. 08.98.200. Annual Renewal.** A person who passes the examination is licensed without payment of further fee. To remain licensed, a person must pay the renewal fee before February 1 of each year. The board shall renew a lapsed license when a veterinarian whose license has lapsed applies for renewal and pays accrued renewal fees. A person whose license has lapsed is entitled to have his license renewed without taking an examination unless his license has lapsed more than five years.

Sec. 08.98.210. **Out-of-State Veterinarian.** A person who is a certified or licensed veterinarian in another state is entitled to be licensed as a veterinarian in Alaska without examination if he meets the requirements of sec. 170(1) and 170(2) of this chapter, completes application forms and returns them to the board, pays the out-of-state license fee, and has passed an examination in the state in which he is registered that covers substantially the same subjects the board's examination covers.

#### Article 3. Enforcement.

Sec. 08.98.230. **Injunction.** When it appears that a person has engaged in or is about to engage in an act constituting a violation of sec. 120 of this chapter, the board, through its executive secretary, shall bring an action in the superior court to enjoin the act and to enforce compliance with sec. 120 of this chapter.

#### Article 4. General Provisions.

Sec. 08.98.250. **Definitions.** In this chapter,

(1) a person who practices veterinary medicine, surgery, or dentistry is one who does any of the following:

(A) appends to his name a title or abbreviation indicating to the public that he is a veterinarian;

(B) for compensation, diagnoses

or treats diseases, injuries, or deformities of domesticated animals;

(C) holds himself out to the public as one who diagnoses or treats diseases, injuries, or deformities of domesticated animals;

(D) maintains premises for receiving, examining, and treating a domesticated animal for compensation;

(2) "board" means the Board of Veterinarian Examiners;

(3) "department" means the Department of Commerce.

Sec. 2. A person is entitled to a license under AS 08.98 without examination who has been graduated from an approved school of veterinary medicine, surgery, or dentistry, who applies and pays a fee of \$10, and who was continuously engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine in the state for at least 12 months immediately preceding the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 3. The governor may appoint to the board unlicensed veterinarians who have practiced veterinary medicine surgery, or dentistry in this state for at least the two years preceding the effective date of this Act, until at least three veterinarians are licensed.

Sec. 4. This Act takes effect on July 1, 1963.

Approved April 20, 1963

## CHAPTER 92

### AN ACT

**Appropriating money for matching accelerated public works program funds for construction of a forest management and protection facility at Big Lake, and an equipment storage and carpenter shop building at Anchorage; and providing for an effective date.**

(H.B. 144)

**Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:**

Section 1. The sum of \$77,500 is appropriated from the general fund to be apportioned according to the schedule in sec. 3 of this Act.

Sec. 2. The sum of \$77,500 is appropri-

ated from federal program receipts to be received from the accelerated public works program to be apportioned according to the schedule in sec. 3 of this Act.

Sec. 3. The following appropriations are made for capital projects:

**Department of Natural Resources**