

ASSEMBLY, No. 2657

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblymen BARNES and Assemblywoman BUONO

1 AN ACT concerning the practice of veterinary medicine and amending  
2 P.L.1983, c.98.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 6 of P.L.1983, c.98 (C.45:16-7.2) is amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 6. a. The board may waive all but the law portion of the  
10 examination of and issue a license to practice veterinary medicine and  
11 surgery to any person who at the time of the application: [a.] (1)  
12 holds a valid, unsuspended and unrevoked license to practice  
13 veterinary medicine and surgery issued by or under the authority of  
14 any state, territory, or the District of Columbia, which has education  
15 and examination requirements which are substantially equivalent to the  
16 requirements of this act for the issuance of a license and [b.] (2)  
17 insofar as the records of that authority are concerned: [(1)] (a) has  
18 been engaged in the clinical practice of veterinary medicine for three  
19 consecutive years immediately prior to application and [(2)] (b) is  
20 entitled to its endorsement. No person shall seek licensure under this  
21 section sooner than three years after failure to be licensed under any  
22 other section of P.L. 1952, c. 198 (C. 45:16-9.1 et al. ).

23 b. The board shall grant a license to practice veterinary medicine  
24 and surgery to any person who is of good moral character and who, at  
25 the time of application, holds a valid, unsuspended and unrevoked  
26 license to practice veterinary medicine and surgery issued by or under  
27 the authority of the State of New York.

28 (cf: P.L.1985, c.495, s.2)

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30 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

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STATEMENT

This bill provides that the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners shall grant a license to practice veterinary medicine and surgery to any person who is of good moral character and who, at the time of application, holds a valid, unsuspended and unrevoked license to practice veterinary medicine and surgery issued by or under the authority of the State of New York.

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Provides license reciprocity for certain out-of-state veterinarians.