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The mission of the Board is to promote, preserve, and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public and animals through the effective control and regulation of the practice of veterinary medicine.

Thank you, **Chair Liebling** and Committee Members for this opportunity to testify before you.

Amongst its many functions, this Board oversees licensing of over 3,700 veterinarians for the state. The Board operates on a **Special Fund Allocation** and fully covers expenses through fees. The Board is comprised of 7 Board members and 2 full time staff. Five of the Board members are veterinarians and two are public members. They unanimously support House File **1228** to license veterinary technicians.

I would like to briefly explain the fiscal note.

In FY 26: There would be an initial cost to the state:

- \$12 K for the database additions for the newly-licensed profession
- \$11 K for administrative support for limited rulemaking to support the new statutory language.

In FY 27 and FY 28 the State cost would be:

- \$52 K for 0.5 FTE office administrative support staff person to manage license applications plus requisite MNIT costs and supplies

Revenue from licensing application would begin in FY 27.

Assumption: 500 applications/yr from the estimated 3,000 individuals that would immediately qualify for licensure.

- \$87.5 K in FY26
- \$87.5 K in FY27

\$50 application	\$33.25 CBC
\$100 first 2 year license	\$25 juris exam

Balance: Revenue – Expense = 36K

Rules needed: **Not updated since 2007**

Addition of “veterinary technician” to almost all

9100.0100 Definitions LVT and VA

9100.0400 Application and exam fees

9100.0500 Initial and renewal fee

9100.0600 Miscellaneous fees

9100.0700 Unprofessional conduct

9100.0800 Minimum standards

9100.0900 Consulting

9100.1000 Continuing education