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Section

- 1** **Board of Animal Health: members; officers.** Amends existing statute to allow the director of the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory to be a consultant to the Board of Animal Health.
- 2** **Powers, duties, and reports.** Establishes the University of Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory as the official laboratory for the Board of Animal Health. Requires the director of the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory to report quarterly on the activities of the laboratory.
- 3** **Authority of state board.** Clarifies that when the governor declares an emergency the Board of Animal Health has authority to assume control of the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and the resources of the laboratory.
- 4** **Repealer.** This section repeals the expiration of a provision adopted in 2001 that granted the Board of Animal Health temporary emergency powers to limit the movement of people, livestock, machinery, and other personal property in case of a disastrous animal disease outbreak.
- 5** **Effective date.** Makes sections 1 to 4 effective the day following final enactment.