

Subject Veterinary technician and veterinary technology regulation

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Overview

This bill establishes licensure and application requirements for veterinary technicians in Minnesota and defines the practice of veterinary technology. It also specifies licensing application requirements for veterinary technicians licensed in other jurisdictions and establishes supervision requirements for unlicensed veterinary employees.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Direct supervision. Amends § 156.001 by adding subdivision 5a, defining “direct supervision” for purposes of veterinary practice.
2	Licensed veterinary technician. Amends § 156.001 by adding subdivision 7a, defining “licensed veterinary technician.”
3	Remote supervision. Amends § 156.001 by adding subdivision 10b, defining “remote supervision” for purposes of veterinary practice.
4	Veterinary Technology Amends § 156.001 by adding subdivision 12, defining “veterinary technology.”
5	License renewal. Amends § 156.07. Makes conforming changes to add veterinary technology practice.
6	Direct supervision; unlicensed veterinary employees. Proposes coding for § 156.076. Requires direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian or licensed veterinary technician for an unlicensed veterinary employee to

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	administer medication or render assistance. Lists allowable tasks for unlicensed veterinary employees that do not require direct supervision.
7	<p>Licensed veterinary technicians. Proposes coding for § 156.077.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Licensure; practice. Requires the Board of Veterinary Medicine to issue veterinary technician licenses to qualified applicants, to practice veterinary technology. Specifies title protection for licensed veterinary technicians; allows the board to adopt rules related to veterinary technician licensure.</p> <p>Subd. 2. Applicants; qualification. Establishes application requirements and lists required educational and examination qualifications for veterinary technician licensure.</p> <p>Subd. 3. Required with application. Lists information and materials that must be included in an application for veterinary technician licensure.</p> <p>Subd. 4. Temporary alternative qualifications. Requires the board to consider a licensure application submitted before July 1, 2030, if the application contains evidence that the person meets alternative qualifications, including existing veterinary technician certification, a specified number of practice hours within the past five years, and references via affidavits.</p>
8	<p>Nonresidents; licensed veterinary technicians. Proposes coding for § 156.078. Specifies licensure application requirements for veterinary technicians licensed in other jurisdictions to transfer licensure to Minnesota.</p>
9	<p>Effective date. Specifies that the provisions in this bill are effective July 1, 2025.</p>



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