

CHAPTER 125 , Laws of 1981

AN ACT to amend 453.05 (2) and 453.06 (1), (2) and (4) of the statutes, relating to various changes in the statutes concerning the veterinary examining board.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 453.05 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

453.05 (2) No license is required for artificial insemination, or for continuing the practice of pregnancy examinations of animals when such practice was engaged in prior to February 11, 1968. No license is required for castrating, ~~except for female horses, cats and dogs, male dogs, cats, horses, pigs, goats, sheep or cattle~~ or for dehorning animals. No license is required for students at a veterinary college approved by the examining board or for a certified animal technician while working under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian; for employes of the state or federal government while engaged in their official duties; or for employes of an educational or research institution while engaged in teaching or research.

SECTION 2. 453.06 (1), (2) and (4) of the statutes are amended to read:

453.06 (1) Veterinary licenses shall be issued only to persons who successfully pass an examination conducted by the examining board and ~~pays~~ pay the fee specified in s. 440.05 (1). At least one examination shall be held annually. An applicant for a new license shall be at least 18 years of age and a graduate of a veterinary college which has been approved by the examining board. Persons who qualify for examination may be granted temporary permits to engage in the practice of veterinary medicine in the employment and under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian until the next examination conducted by the examining board. Veterinarians holding an existing license are not required to take any examination for renewal of their license. The examining board may grant a license, without any examination, to any person who holds a veterinarian's license issued by another state or country, if the license requirements in such state or country are substantially equivalent to those in this state and if such state or country recognizes licenses issued under this chapter. In case of failure at any examination, the applicant shall have the privilege of taking subsequent examinations, upon the payment of another fee for each examination.

(2) Veterinary licenses shall expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year following issuance. The license renewal fee shall be that specified in s. 440.05 (3) to (5). An expired license may be reinstated and renewed within ~~60 days~~ 2 years of the date of expiration upon payment of the fees specified in s. 440.05 (4) ~~and or~~ (5). ~~If a license is not renewed at the end of the 60 day period, it is automatically revoked and the licensee shall be required to pass the examination under sub. (1) in order to be relicensed~~ Reexamination shall be required of a licensee requesting reinstatement after 2 years of expired status.

(4) Animal technician certifications shall expire on December 31 of each odd-numbered year following issuance. An expired certificate may be reinstated and renewed within 2 years of the date of expiration upon payment of the fees specified in s. 440.05 (4) or (5). Reexamination shall be required of an animal technician requesting reinstatement after 2 years of expired status.