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<b>2015 Wisconsin Act 179</b> [2015 Assembly Bill 769]	<b>Veterinary Examining Board and DATCP Powers</b>
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2015 Wisconsin Act 179 provides certain powers and duties to the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP) and the Veterinary Examining Board (VEB) that were not provided to the DATCP along with the transfer of the VEB from the Department of Safety and Professional Services to the DATCP in 2015 Wisconsin Act 55. These powers and duties relate to the issuance of temporary veterinary licenses to spouses of service members, the issuance of administrative warnings as a form of discipline, and assessment and collection of the costs of disciplinary proceedings.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.