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SUMMARY

- Changes the professional title of a registered veterinary technician to “registered veterinary nurse,” but does not change the scope of practice of, or the registration or certification credentials required for, those individuals.
- States that a veterinary technician registration issued to a person under current law that is valid on the bill’s effective date continues in effect as if the registration is issued for a veterinary nurse.
- Requires a person, if the person applies to renew the registration after that date, to be registered as a veterinary nurse if the person is eligible for the renewal.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Registered veterinary nurses

The bill changes the professional title of “registered veterinary technician” to “registered veterinary nurse.” In changing the term, the bill states that it does not change the scope of practice of, or the registration or certification credentials required for, those individuals.¹

Under current law, a registered veterinary technician is a person who:

1. Is a graduate of a veterinary technology college approved by the State Veterinary Medical Licensing Board;
2. Has successfully passed an examination approved by the Board; and

¹ Section 3(B) and makes conforming changes.

3. Maintains registration eligibility status in accordance with rules adopted by the Board.²

Under the bill, a veterinary technician registration issued to a person under current law that is valid on the bill's effective date continues in effect as if the registration is issued for a veterinary nurse. If the person applies to renew the registration after that date, the person must be registered as a veterinary nurse if the person is eligible for the renewal.³

HISTORY

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² R.C. 4741.01(F).

³ Section 3(A).