

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY REVIEW COMMITTEE
MARCH 8, 2007**

TIME AND PLACE: The Legislative/Regulatory Review Committee meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Richmond, VA.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: George Siemering- Chair
James DeBell, DVM
Rebecca Lakie, LVT

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth C. Young, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Administrative Assistant
Jack Kotvas, Assistant Attorney General
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

OTHERS PRESENT: Jana Froeling, DVM
Kelly Gottschalk, DVM
Taryn Singleton, LVT

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kelly Gottschalk, DVM, representing the Virginia Veterinary Medical Association, presented two handouts (attached) stating the VVMA's position on the administration of drugs by injection by non-licensed personnel, and a draft Guidance Document regarding microchipping of animals in an emergency situation. Dr. Gottschalk also discussed HB2363 with the Board and tried to address some of their concerns about the exclusion of Licensed Veterinary Technicians (LVT) from the language in the Bill regarding who can plane and level equine teeth with non-motorized tools. She explained that the equine dental technicians (EDT) had some concerns that LVT's could open a practice for equine dentistry without being registered because they are already technicians. The EDT's argument is that LVT's are not getting the education regarding equine dentistry in most technician programs yet, so they feel that an LVT is not as trained as the EDT. Dr. Gottschalk stated that a lot of discussion occurred and what was agreed upon was that an LVT working under an equine

veterinarian could perform tasks related to equine dentistry when directed to do so. Further, the LVT could perform the same tasks that the EDT could already, without being included in the language of the bill.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On properly seconded motion by Ms. Lakie, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 7, 2007 with one correction. The word “and” was left out of the wording on page 3 under 150-21-181.

UPDATE ON HB2363:

Ms. Yeatts updated the Committee on the status of HB2363 and what the Board’s role is once it has been signed into law by the Governor. She stated that the first task is to publish the Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA). Regulations cannot be adopted until after July 1, 2007, when the law goes into effect. There is no enactment clause that requires that the regulations go into effect within 360 days.

The Committee determined that they will discuss the NOIRA at the May meeting and approve it at the August meeting.

REGULATORY REVIEW:

The Committee continued its review of the regulations with the following sections:

- **150-20-190** – add that the full name, first and last, of the client be included on the prescription label in C2, define working stock in D1
- **150-20-195** – add the language from the current Guidance Document 150-9 to this section, add the language regarding release of records and liability and define animal identification system
- **150-20-200** – continue to review and see public comment, address the issue of multiple practices located in one building
- **150-20-210** – add “or investigation” to A1

Ms. Yeatts stated that she will have the NOIRA ready to be presented to the Board at its May meeting for their approval. She stated that the NOIRA will come to the full Board as a recommendation from this

Committee. Ms. Yeatts stated she will send the NOIRA to the Committee first, for their review, before presenting it to the full Board.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

George Siemering, DVM - Chair

Elizabeth C. Young - Executive Director