

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Date: February 7, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, HI 96813

Agenda: The agenda was posted to the State electronic calendar as required by Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) section 92-7(b).

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1. Call to Order

The Board may enter into Executive Session to consult with the Board’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities in accordance with Hawaii Revised Statute (“HRS”) section 92-5(a)(4).

2. Legislative Measures

A. HB1527_Animals; Pet Animals; Surgery; Prohibited

Prohibits animal owners and their employees from performing any surgical procedures on the owner’s animal or animals. Prohibits the elastration, or castration via banding, of a pet animal. Provides that a violation of the prohibitions is a class C felony. Clarifies that the offense of cruelty to animals in the first degree does not apply to accepted veterinary practices and cropping or docking as customarily practiced when the procedures are performed by a licensed veterinarian.

B. SB2562_Dogs; Surgery; Prohibited

Prohibits animal owners and their employees from performing any surgical procedures on the owner’s dog or dogs.

C. SB3262_Relating to Veterinarians

Renames the John A. Burns School of Medicine special fund as the physician and veterinarian special fund. Expands the authorized uses of the special fund to include providing loan repayments to veterinarians and scholarships for students attending a veterinary college; provided that the recipient commits to work in the State for a period of time determined by the Hawai'i Board of Veterinary Medicine. Requires the Hawai'i Board of Veterinary Medicine to establish a loan repayment and scholarship program. Assesses a fee on persons obtaining or renewing a veterinarian license. Provides for the deposit of the fee into the physician and veterinarian special fund. Appropriates moneys into and out of the physician and veterinarian special fund. Declares that the appropriation exceeds the state general fund expenditure ceiling.

Hold Over from 2023 Legislature

D. HB1512 HD1_Relating to Liability

Limits the civil liability of good Samaritans who render emergency nonmedical care and emergency nonmedical assistance to animals during an emergency. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

E. HB220 HD1_Relating to the Spaying and Neutering of Animals

Establishes a Spay and Neuter Special Fund. Allows funds from an income tax check-off to be deposited into the Spay and Neuter Special Fund. Appropriates funds. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

F. SB998_Relating to the Spaying and Neutering of Animals

Establishes a Spay and Neuter Special Fund. Allows funds from an income tax check-off to be deposited into the Spay and Neuter Special Fund. Appropriates funds

3. Board Basics & Beyond

Kansas City, Missouri: April 12-13, 2024

4. Next Meeting Wednesday, March 13, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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5. Adjournment

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