

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS24837

This legislation will address a financial crisis facing the Board of Veterinary Medicine. To avoid an imminent deficient spending situation and meet anticipated operating, personnel and capital expenditures, including providing revenue to assist in the purchase of a modern, functional, user-friendly web-based licensing software program, this legislation would impose a separate statutory increase for veterinarian license renewal fees for renewal years 2017, 2018 and 2019 only and include a "sunset" provision.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will impose an \$85 increase in annual renewal fees for licensed veterinarians in 2017, 2018 and 2019, only. This increase will temporarily raise the annual renewal fees for licensees from \$175 per year to \$260 per year, increasing Board revenue by approximately \$93,500 for each year it is in effect. This increase will favorably impact the Board's dedicated fund. There will be no impact on the state General Fund. It has no fiscal impact because the amendment is consistent with current legislative practices.

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