

REFERENCE TITLE: **veterinary medical examining board; membership**

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HB 2346

Introduced by
Representative Payne

AN ACT

**AMENDING SECTION 32-2202, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO
VETERINARIANS.**

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 32-2202, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 32-2202. Board members; appointment; terms; qualifications;
5 officers; compensation

6 A. There shall be an Arizona state veterinary medical examining
7 board consisting of ~~nine~~ ELEVEN members WHO ARE appointed by the governor
8 pursuant to section 38-211.

9 B. Each member shall serve for a term of four years. A member
10 shall not serve more than two full terms. After notice and a hearing
11 before the governor, a member of the board may be removed on a finding by
12 the governor of continued neglect of duty, incompetence or unprofessional
13 or dishonorable conduct. The term of any member automatically ends on THE
14 MEMBER'S written resignation submitted to the board or to the governor.

15 C. THE BOARD MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

16 1. Five members ~~shall be~~ WHO ARE licensed veterinarians, who have
17 an established practice location in this state or are employed by a
18 university or a political subdivision of ~~the~~ THIS state and who have
19 resided and practiced in ~~the~~ THIS state for at least five years
20 immediately preceding appointment. ~~;~~ ~~no~~ NOT more than three of ~~whom~~ THESE
21 MEMBERS shall be from the same veterinary college. AT LEAST ONE OF THESE
22 MEMBERS MUST BE A VETERINARY SURGEON SPECIALIST.

23 2. ~~Three~~ FIVE members ~~shall~~ WHO ARE not ~~be~~ veterinarians, two
24 ~~representing OF WHOM REPRESENT~~ the general public and one ~~representing OF~~
25 ~~WHOM REPRESENTS~~ the livestock industry.

26 3. One member ~~shall be~~ WHO IS a certified veterinary technician who
27 has held the designation for at least five years, is currently employed in
28 the veterinary field in this state and has practiced and resided in this
29 state for at least five years immediately preceding appointment.

30 D. Except as provided in subsection ~~F~~ G of this section, a person
31 who has been convicted of a violation of any provision of this chapter is
32 ineligible for appointment AS A BOARD MEMBER.

33 ~~D.~~ E. The board shall elect a ~~chairman~~ CHAIRPERSON and such other
34 officers as it deems necessary. The term of each officer shall be one
35 year ending June 30, ~~;~~ or until the officer's successor is elected and
36 qualifies.

37 ~~E.~~ F. Each member of the board shall receive compensation at a
38 rate OF not ~~exceeding one hundred dollars~~ MORE THAN \$100 for each day
39 engaged in the service of the board.

40 ~~F.~~ G. The governor may appoint a person to the board who has
41 previously been sanctioned pursuant to section 32-2233, subsection B.

1 Sec. 2. Retention of members
2 Notwithstanding section 32-2202, Arizona Revised Statutes, as
3 amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the Arizona state
4 veterinary medical examining board on the effective date of this act may
5 continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The
6 governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.