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BY: Environment and Transportation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 325

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike "Routine Medical Care" and substitute "<u>Practice of Veterinary Medicine</u>"; in line 3, after "to" insert "<u>establish a certain process to</u>"; in line 5, strike "provide routine medical care" and substitute "<u>become licensed to practice veterinary medicine</u>"; in lines 5 and 6, strike "under certain circumstances"; and in lines 6 and 7, strike "individuals who work in or for a certain veterinary hospital or a certain animal control facility" and substitute "<u>certain individuals</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 4, strike "(1)"; in the same line, after "SHALL" insert "ESTABLISH AN EXPEDITED PROCESS TO"; in line 5, strike "LICENSED, CERTIFIED, OR OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED" and substitute "WHO HOLDS A CURRENT, VALID LICENSE"; and strike beginning with "PROVIDE" in line 6 down through "HEALTH" in line 18 and substitute "BECOME LICENSED TO PRACTICE VETERINARY MEDICINE IN THE STATE".

On page 4, strike beginning with "INDIVIDUALS" in line 3 down through "ARTICLE" in line 4 and substitute "A VETERINARY TECHNICIAN, AS DEFINED IN § 2–301 OF THE AGRICULTURE ARTICLE, OR OTHER CLINICAL STAFF WHO WORK IN OR FOR AN ANIMAL SHELTER, AS DEFINED IN § 2–1701 OF THE AGRICULTURE ARTICLE"; strike beginning with "FOR" in line 7 down through "THE" in line 11 and substitute "THE ANIMAL SHELTER OR"; strike beginning with "AND" in line 12 down through "VETERINARIANS" in line 14 and substitute:

"(II) THE ANIMAL BEING VACCINATED IS UNDER THE CUSTODY OR CONTROL OF AN ANIMAL SHELTER OR ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY;

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(III) THE VETERINARY PRACTITIONER WHO SIGNS THE RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE HAS ENSURED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL ADMINISTERING THE RABIES VACCINE WAS APPROPRIATELY TRAINED ON ADMINISTERING RABIES VACCINES, INCLUDING PROPER STORAGE, HANDLING, ADMINISTRATION, AND MANAGEMENT OF ADVERSE REACTIONS; AND

(IV) THE INDIVIDUAL ADMINISTERING THE VACCINE IS IDENTIFIED ON THE RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE";

after line 14, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 2023, the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, on:

- (1) the status of establishing an expedited process for a veterinary practitioner who holds a valid, current license to practice veterinary medicine in another state or jurisdiction to become licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the State as authorized under Section 1 of this Act; and
- (2) any financial support needed to implement the expedited process."; and in line 15, strike "2." and substitute "3.".