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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 5411

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 5411, AS AMENDED,
3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Veterinary Medicine and Surgery Practice
6 Act of 2004 is amended by adding Section 8.2 as follows:

7 (225 ILCS 115/8.2 new)

8 Sec. 8.2. Rabies vaccination authority; rabies vaccination
9 certificates.

10 (a) A certified veterinary technician who has completed
11 the required 2-hour rabies vaccination continuing education
12 course may administer rabies vaccinations only under the
13 direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian, and only after
14 the supervising veterinarian has performed a physical
15 examination of the animal and determined that the animal is
16 healthy enough to receive the vaccination.

1 (b) The 2-hour rabies vaccination continuing education
2 course shall apply toward the total number of hours of
3 continuing education required by rule. This course must be
4 repeated each renewal cycle that the certified veterinary
5 technician administers the rabies vaccination.

6 (c) The rabies administration continuing education program
7 must be taught by a licensed veterinarian in good standing and
8 provided by a continuing education provider approved by the
9 Department.

10 (d) Nothing in this Section authorizes a certified
11 veterinary technician to diagnose, prognose, prescribe,
12 perform surgery, or engage in any activity prohibited under
13 this Act.

14 (e) A certified veterinary technician administering rabies
15 vaccinations under this Section remains subject to all
16 disciplinary provisions of this Act.

17 (f) A rabies vaccination certificate may be signed only
18 by:

19 (1) a licensed veterinarian who administered the
20 vaccination; or

21 (2) a certified veterinary technician who has
22 completed the required rabies vaccination continuing
23 education program during the previous renewal period and
24 administered the rabies vaccination.

25 A rabies vaccination certificate that is signed by a
26 certified veterinary technician shall also be signed by the

1 veterinarian providing direct supervision of the certified
2 veterinary technician. The professional credential of the
3 individual or individuals who sign the certificate must be
4 included with their signature.

5 (g) A copy of the current rabies vaccination continuing
6 education certificate must be on display at the locations
7 where the certified veterinary technician administers rabies
8 vaccinations.

9 (h) Any Illinois statute, administrative rule, or local
10 ordinance that restricts rabies vaccination administration or
11 certificate signing exclusively to veterinarians is amended to
12 permit Certified Veterinary Technicians who have completed the
13 required rabies vaccination continuing education course to
14 perform these functions as authorized under this Act.

15 Any reference to "rabies inoculation by a licensed
16 veterinarian only" shall be interpreted to include certified
17 veterinary technicians who have completed the required rabies
18 vaccination continuing education program acting under direct
19 supervision of a licensed veterinarian."