

# **Administrative Rule Analysis**

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## **VETERINARY TECHNICIAN LICENSURE**

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**Rule Set No.: 2014-143-LR**

**Department: Licensing and Regulatory Affairs**

**Agency: Bureau of Professional Licensing**

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## **BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RULES**

Applicants for licensure as veterinarian technicians are required to take and pass both a national and state-level examination to be eligible to be licensed. Conversely, applicants for licensure as veterinarians are only required to take and pass a national-level examination.

2014-143-LR would amend rules pertaining to the licensure and regulation of veterinary technicians. Specifically, by eliminating the requirement that applicants for (re)licensure take an examination developed, administered, and scored under the Board of Veterinary Medicine and receive a score of at least 75. Applicants for licensure would still be required to take and receive a passing grade on the examination developed by the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB), while certain applicants for relicensure would instead be required to take the AAVSB exam. Additionally, 2014-143-LR would update rules adopting accreditation standards by reference and correct rules referring to state departments.

## **FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED RULES**

The rules amended by 2014-143-LR would have a nominal, yet likely neutral, fiscal impact on the Department of Licensure and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) as LARA would no longer incur expenses to annually administer and score examinations of applicants for veterinarian technician licensure nor would applicants pay the \$65 examination fee.

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