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THE STATE SENATE
Thursday, February 13, 2003

Senate Bill No. 393

SENATE BILL NO. 393 - By: HARRISON of the Senate and COVEY of the House.

An Act relating to professions and occupations; amending 59 O.S. 2001, Section 698.11, which relates to the Oklahoma Veterinary Practice Act; expanding the scope of practice of veterinary medicine; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 698.11, is amended to read as follows:

Section 698.11 A. The practice of veterinary medicine shall include, but not be limited to:

- 1. Diagnosing, surgery, treating, correcting, changing, relieving, or preventing animal disease, deformity, defect, injury or other physical or mental conditions including the prescribing or administering of any drug, medicine, biologic, apparatus, application, anesthetic, telemedicine, animal chiropractic diagnosis and treatment, or other therapeutic diagnostic substance or technique; dentistry; complementary and alternative therapies to be defined by rule pursuant to Section 698.7 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes; testing for pregnancy or correcting sterility or enhancing fertility; or rendering advice or recommendation with regard to any of the above;

1 2. Representing, directly or indirectly, publicly or privately,
2 an ability and willingness to do any act prescribed in paragraph 1
3 of this ~~section~~ subsection; and

4 3. Using any title words, abbreviation or letters by any person
5 other than a licensed veterinarian in a manner or under
6 circumstances which induce the belief that the person using them is
7 qualified to do any act described in paragraph 1 of this ~~section~~
8 subsection. Such use shall be prima facie evidence of the intention
9 to represent oneself as a licensed veterinarian engaged in the
10 practice of veterinary medicine.

11 B. Any person licensed to practice veterinary medicine pursuant
12 to the Oklahoma Veterinary Practice Act, may use the word "Doctor",
13 or an abbreviation thereof, and shall have the right to use, whether
14 or not in conjunction with the word "Doctor" or any abbreviation
15 thereof, the designation "D.V.M." or "V.M.D.".

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2003.

17 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS & LABOR, dated 2-10-03 -
18 DO PASS, As Coauthored.