

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

HOUSE BILL 3977

By: Caldwell (Trey)

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the State Veterinarian; amending 2  
O.S. 2021, Section 6-1, which relates to the State  
Veterinarian; requiring certain qualifications; and  
providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 2 O.S. 2021, Section 6-1, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 6-1. A. The State Veterinarian shall ~~be the holder of:~~

1. Hold a current license to practice veterinary medicine in

Oklahoma;

2. Have experience in food animal veterinary practice; and

~~shall be~~

3. Be appointed by the State Board of Agriculture.

1        B.   The Board shall fix the compensation and duties of the State  
2 Veterinarian.

3        SECTION 2.   This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.  
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