

**581.2 Priority.**

Except as provided in [this section](#), [section 554.9322](#) shall govern the priority of a veterinarian's lien that is effective or perfected as provided in [section 581.3](#).

1. A veterinarian's lien that is effective but not perfected under [section 581.3](#) shall have priority as provided in [section 554.9322](#).

2. *a.* A veterinarian's lien that is perfected under [section 581.3](#) shall have priority over any conflicting security interest or lien in livestock treated by a veterinarian, regardless of when such security interest or lien is perfected.

*b.* Notwithstanding paragraph "a", a veterinarian's lien shall not be superior to a court-ordered lien provided in [section 717.4](#), if such lien is perfected as an agricultural lien.

[C35, §10347-f2; C39, §**10347.11**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §581.2]  
[2003 Acts, ch 82, §16](#); [2011 Acts, ch 81, §4](#)