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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for persons serving as public members on the
2 Iowa board of veterinary medicine.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 169.5, subsection 1, Code 2019, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. *a.* The governor shall appoint, subject to confirmation
4 by the senate pursuant to [section 2.32](#), a board of five
5 individuals, three of whom shall be licensed veterinarians
6 and two of whom ~~shall not be licensed veterinarians and~~ shall
7 represent the general public. The board shall be known as the
8 Iowa board of veterinary medicine.

9 *b.* Each appointed licensed veterinarian ~~board member~~
10 shall be actively engaged in veterinary medicine and
11 ~~shall must~~ have been so engaged for a period of five years
12 immediately preceding appointment, the last two of which
13 ~~shall must~~ have been in Iowa. ~~The representatives~~ Each
14 appointed representative of the general public ~~shall must~~
15 be knowledgeable in the area of animal husbandry. The
16 representative must not have ever been licensed, certified,
17 registered, or subject to disciplinary action under this
18 chapter. The representative must not have otherwise ever
19 been subject to regulation by the board, including as a
20 veterinarian, veterinary technician, or veterinary assistant.

21 *c.* A member of the board shall not be employed by ~~or~~ nor
22 have any material or financial interest in any wholesale or
23 jobbing house dealing in supplies, equipment, or instruments
24 used or useful in the practice of veterinary medicine.

25 *e. d.* ~~Professional associations or societies~~ Any
26 organization composed of licensed veterinarians may recommend
27 to the governor the names of licensed veterinarians to serve
28 as potential board members to. Any organization composed of
29 persons interested in animal husbandry may recommend to the
30 governor the names of potential board members representing the
31 general public. However, the governor, but the governor is not
32 bound by the recommendations required to make an appointment
33 based on a recommendation.

34 Sec. 2. TERMS OF MEMBERS OF THE IOWA BOARD OF VETERINARY
35 MEDICINE. This Act's amendments to section 169.5 shall not

1 affect the current terms of representatives of public members
2 appointed prior to the effective date of this Act. However,
3 a representative who does not meet the requirements of those
4 amendments is not eligible for reappointment.

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EXPLANATION

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The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
7 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

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8 This bill amends provisions in Code chapter 169 relating
9 to the appointment of public members to the Iowa board
10 of veterinary medicine. The bill provides that a public
11 member cannot have ever been associated with the practice of
12 veterinary medicine by being licensed, certified, registered,
13 or subject to disciplinary action under that Code chapter. The
14 public members cannot have ever been authorized to act under
15 the supervision of the board as a veterinarian, veterinary
16 technician, or veterinary assistant. The bill also provides
17 that organizations representing persons interested in animal
18 husbandry may recommend appointments of public members to the
19 governor in the same manner as organizations representing
20 licensed veterinarians may recommend appointments of licensed
21 veterinarians. The bill does not affect the current terms of
22 public members.