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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [~~omitted material~~] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: NRS 638.070.

A REGULATION relating to veterinary medicine. . .

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law. . .

Section. 1 Chapter 638 of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth in sections 2 through 14 of this regulation.

Sec. 1. *NAC chapter 638 shall be amended to add the following new language:*

1. Advertising by a veterinarian shall not contain any false, deceptive, or misleading statements or claims. A false, deceptive, misleading statement, or claim in which false information is communicated or is intended, through a material omission, to leave a false impression.

2. Testimonials or endorsements are advertising, and a veterinarian must comply with applicable law and guidelines issued by the Federal Trade Commission on the use of endorsements and testimonials in advertising.

Sec. 2. NAC 638.035 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. The Board will charge and collect the following fees:

For an application and examination for a license to practice veterinary medicine \$500

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| For an application for a license by endorsement to practice veterinary medicine..... | 500 |
| For an application for a license to practice veterinary medicine as a diplomate..... | 500 |
| For an application for a license to practice as a veterinary technician..... | [220] 250 |
| For an application or examination for a license to practice as a euthanasia technician..... | 500 |
| For a 2-year registration to practice as a veterinary technician in training..... | [60] 70 |
| <i>For a registration to practice as a veterinary student extern.....</i> | <i>70</i> |
| For a permit to operate a facility owned by a licensed veterinarian, other than a mobile clinic | [500] 575 |
| For a permit to operate a facility not owned by a licensed veterinarian, other than a mobile Clinic..... | [700] 840 |
| For a permit to operate a mobile clinic | [150] 180 |
| For a permit to operate a nonprofit facility | 200 |
| For a registration to practice animal chiropractic | [200] 240 |
| For a registration to practice animal physical therapy | 200 240 |
| For a registration to practice as an equine dental provider | 220 240 |
| For a temporary license to practice veterinary medicine | [150] 200 |
| For the reinstatement of a veterinary or diplomate license..... | 525 640 |
| For the reinstatement of a veterinary technician license | [200] 220 |
| For the biennial renewal of an active license to practice veterinary medicine , including, without limitation, a license by endorsement and a Diplomate License..... | [500] 600 |
| For the biennial renewal of an inactive license to practice veterinary medicine..... | [275] 330 |
| For the biennial renewal of a license to practice as a veterinary technician..... | [150] 180 |
| For the biennial renewal of a license to practice as a euthanasia technician..... | [250] 300 |

For the biennial renewal of a registration to practice as an animal physical therapist.....~~[200]~~ 240

For the biennial renewal of a registration to practice as an animal chiropractor..... ~~[200]~~ 240

For the biennial renewal of a registration to practice as an equine dental provider..... ~~[200]~~ 240

For the biennial renewal of a permit for a facility owned by a licensed veterinarian, other than a mobile clinic..... ~~[400]~~ 480

For the biennial renewal of a permit for a facility not owned by a licensed veterinarian, other than a mobile clinic ~~[700]~~ 840

For the biennial renewal of a permit to operate a mobile clinic..... ~~[100]~~ 120

For the biennial renewal of a permit for a nonprofit facility..... 200

For a duplicate of a license, registration or permit described in this section ~~[20]~~ 25

2. For the purposes of this section, a facility is “owned by a licensed veterinarian” if one or more licensed veterinarians hold at least 10 percent of the total ownership interest, solely or jointly, of the facility.

4. ~~[3-]~~ A licensee who does not comply with the requirements of this section may be subject to disciplinary action

Sec. 3 NAC 638.057 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. The supervising veterinarian:

(a) Is responsible for determining the competency of the licensed veterinary technician, veterinary technician in training or veterinary assistant under his or her supervision to perform delegated tasks of animal health care.

(b) Shall ensure that the licensed veterinary technician, veterinary technician in training or veterinary assistant performs the tasks of animal health care delegated to the licensed veterinary

technician, veterinary technician in training or veterinary assistant in a manner which is consistent with good veterinary medical practice.

(c) Shall make all decisions relating to the diagnosis, treatment, management and future disposition of an animal.

(d) Shall examine an animal before delegating any tasks to the licensed veterinary technician, veterinary technician in training or veterinary assistant. The examination must be conducted at such time as good veterinary medical practice requires, consistent with the particular task of animal health care which is delegated.

(e) Shall not direct or assign any task, responsibility, or activity to any individual under his or her supervision that is outside of the appropriate scope of practice for that individual to perform.

(f) Shall ensure that all registrants and licensees are performing tasks only within their designated scope of practice.

(f) Shall not unduly pressure or require any individual under his or her supervision to perform tasks for which he or she is not qualified.

(g) Shall facilitate open communication with those under their supervision and allow, without fear of reprisal, to express concerns or to refuse tasks, responsibilities, or activities for which they feel unprepared or unqualified.

~~[(1) Unlicensed personnel do not perform duties that are specific to licensed veterinary technicians or licensed veterinarians;~~

~~(2) A person does not perform tasks as a veterinary technician in training unless the person is registered pursuant to NAC 638.0525; and~~

~~(3) A person does not perform tasks as a veterinary assistant except as provided in NAC 638.0602 and 638.06025.]~~

2. A supervising veterinarian who *violates* ~~[does not comply with]~~ the requirements of this section may be subject to disciplinary action.

Sec. 13. NAC 638.0505 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. Except for a person described in subsection 3 of NRS 638.015, only a person who is a diplomate from an approved specialty board of the American Veterinary Medical Association and is licensed to practice veterinary medicine pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 638.105 may use the title “veterinary specialist.”

2. The terms “board eligible” or “board qualified” shall not be used in advertising.