

**LCB File No. R56-00**

**Notice of Workshop and Hearing for the Adoption of Regulations of the Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners**

The Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners will hold a workshop and a public hearing:

**May 17, 2000 1:00 P.M.**  
**4600 KIETZKE LANE BLDG. B-111**  
**RENO, NEVADA 89502**

The purpose of this hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption of regulations pertaining to Chapter 638 of the Nevada Administrative Code. If no such person appears to make an oral presentation, the Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions. Comments will be received regarding the following:

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.060:

**1. Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code 638.017, "Vaccination clinic."**

A. Statement of the purpose of the proposed regulation

Redefining of the term "vaccination clinic".

B. Economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate

There is no economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate.

C. Economic effect on the public

There will be no economic effect on the public.

D. Estimated cost to the agency for enforcement

There will be no additional expenses for enforcement of this regulation.

**2. Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code 638.048, Prohibited acts.**

A. Statement of the purpose of the proposed regulation

Violating NRS 574, "Cruelty to Animal" Laws is grounds for disciplinary action.

B. Economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate

There is no economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate.

C. Economic effect on the public

There will be no economic effect on the public.

D. Estimated cost to the agency for enforcement

There will be no additional expenses for enforcement of this regulation.

**3. Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code 638.0435, Additional requirements for licensure.**

A. Statement of the purpose of the proposed regulation

The consolidation of the two national board examinations(CPT & NBE) into the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination.

B. Economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate

There is no economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate.

C. Economic effect on the public

There will be no economic effect on the public.

D. Estimated cost to the agency for enforcement

There will be no additional expenses for enforcement of this regulation.

**4. Addition to Nrs 638.**

A. Statement of the purpose of the proposed regulation

Defining “Veterinary Technician in Training” and the qualifications for registration.

B. Economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate

There is no economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate.

C. Economic effect on the public

There will be no economic effect on the public.

D. Estimated cost to the agency for enforcement

There will be no additional expenses for enforcement of this regulation.

**5. Addition to Administrative Code 638.**

A. Statement of the purpose of the proposed regulation

Regulations regarding prepared expert testimony for disciplinary hearings.

B. Economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate

There is no economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate.

C. Economic effect on the public

There will be no economic effect on the public.

D. Estimated cost to the agency for enforcement

There will be no additional expenses for enforcement of this regulation.

**6. Amendment of Nevada Administrative Code 638.0435,**

A. Statement of the purpose of the proposed regulation  
Redefining “Emergency Veterinary Hospital.”

B. Economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate  
There is no economic effect of the regulation on the business it is to regulate.

C. Economic effect on the public  
There will be no economic effect on the public.

D. Estimated cost to the agency for enforcement  
There will be no additional expenses for enforcement of this regulation.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either prior to adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners may appear at the scheduled workshop and public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments in written form to the Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, O-265, Reno, Nevada, 89502. Written submissions must be received by the Board at least ten days before the scheduled public hearing.

A copy of this notice and the proposed regulation to be adopted will be on file at all county libraries within the state for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation to be amended will be available at the Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, O-265, Reno, Nevada, 89502. The notice and the text of the proposed regulation is also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653 and on the Internet at <http://www.leg.state.nv.us>. Copies will also be mailed to the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary.

The notice has been posted at the following locations:

Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners	All Nevada County
4600 Kietzke Lane, O-265	Public Libraries
Reno, Nevada	

## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

### SEC. 1. CHAPTER 638 OF NAC IS HEREBY AMENDED BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING:

EXPLANATION-Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets ~~⊞~~ is material to be omitted.

Sec. 2. NAC 638.0645 [~~Emergency veterinary hospital; 24-hour emergency veterinary hospitals. Emergency veterinary hospitals~~

~~[1. A 24-hour emergency veterinary hospital must have an attending veterinarian on the premises at all times, including legal holidays. Professional services may be provided through cooperative agreements between veterinary facilities and 24-hour emergency veterinary hospitals.~~

~~—2. If an emergency veterinary hospital does not have an attending veterinarian on the premises at all times, the hospital must have the words “veterinarian on call” appear on all forms of advertising.~~

~~—3. As used in this section:~~

~~—(a) “Emergency veterinary hospital” means an animal hospital which provides emergency treatment to an ill or injured animal.~~

~~—(b) A “24-hour emergency veterinary hospital” includes veterinary facilities which utilize the terms “Emergency Hospital,” “Open 24 hours,” “Day or Night Care” or other phrases implying continuously available treatment.]~~

*“Emergency Facility” shall be defined as a veterinary medical service whose primary function is the receiving, treatment and monitoring of emergency patients during its specified (posted)*

*hours of operation. A Veterinarian must be in attendance at all hours of operation and sufficient staff is always available to provide timely and appropriate care.*

*1. Advertisements for emergency veterinary facilities shall clearly state:*

*a) The hours the facility will provide emergency service.*

*b) That a licensed veterinarian is on the premises during the posted emergency hours; and*

*c) The address and telephone number of the facility.*

*2. If continuing care of the patient s required following emergency service, the client shall be provided a legible copy of the medical records to be transferred to the next attending veterinarian, or a copy must be transmitted directly to the attending veterinarian.*

*“On-Call Emergency Service: shall be defined as a veterinary medical service whose veterinarians are not on premises during all hours of operation, but are able to respond within a reasonable time to requests for emergency veterinary services at that facility. “On call” must appear on all forms of advertising.*

*The term “24 hr.” shall be defined as a veterinary medical service whose veterinarian is on the premises 24 hours a day.*