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AN ACT relating to the Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners; increasing the membership of the Board from seven members to eight members by adding a veterinary technician; increasing from four to five the number of members needed to call a meeting of the Board and to constitute a quorum; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law provides that the Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners is composed of seven members appointed by the Governor, including: (1) six members who must be Nevada residents who have graduated from an accredited veterinary college and who have been lawfully engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine in this State for at least 5 years next preceding the date of their appointment; and (2) one member who must be a representative of the general public and who must not be a veterinarian, a veterinary technician or a euthanasia technician or related to a veterinarian, a veterinary technician or a euthanasia technician. (NRS 638.020) **Section 1** of this bill increases the membership of the Board to eight members, adding one member who must be a Nevada resident who is a veterinary technician and who has been lawfully engaged in practice as a veterinary technician in this State for at least 5 years next preceding the date of his or her appointment.

Existing law provides that a meeting of the Board may be called by four members of the Board, and four members constitute a quorum. (NRS 638.060) **Section 2** of this bill increases from four to five the number of members needed to call a meeting of the Board and to constitute a quorum.

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

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 638.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:
638.020 1. The Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners is hereby created.

2. The Board consists of ~~seven~~ *eight* members appointed by the Governor.

3. Six of the members must:

(a) Be residents of the State of Nevada.

(b) Be graduates of a veterinary college accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association.

(c) Have been lawfully engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine in the State of Nevada for at least 5 years next preceding the date of their appointment.



4. ***One member must:***
(a) Be a resident of the State of Nevada.
(b) Be a veterinary technician.
(c) Have been lawfully engaged in practice as a veterinary technician in the State of Nevada for at least 5 years next preceding the date of his or her appointment.

5. One member appointed by the Governor must be a representative of the general public. This member must not be:

(a) A veterinarian, a veterinary technician or a euthanasia technician; or

(b) The spouse or the parent or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, of a veterinarian, a veterinary technician or a euthanasia technician.

~~5.~~ 6. Any member may be removed from the Board by the Governor for good cause.

Sec. 2. NRS 638.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

638.060 1. The Board shall meet at least annually and on the call of the President or any ~~four~~ **five** of its members.

2. ~~Four~~ **Five** members of the Board constitute a quorum, and a quorum is necessary to conduct the business of the Board. Any action taken by the Board must be approved by at least a majority of the members present at a hearing or meeting of the Board.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

