

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with House Amendments
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2116**

Introduced by

Agriculture Committee

(At the request of the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-29-02 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to membership of the state board of veterinary medical examiners.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-29-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **43-29-02. State board of veterinary medical examiners - Appointments - Qualifications**
7 **- Terms - Vacancies.**

8 1. The state board of veterinary medical examiners consists of ~~three~~five gubernatorially
9 appointed members ~~appointed by the governor for terms of three years each, with~~
10 ~~their terms of office so arranged that one term, and only one, expires each year.~~
11 ~~Members of the board shall hold their respective offices until their successors are~~
12 ~~appointed and qualified. Each member must be a reputable, practicing, and licensed~~
13 ~~veterinarian in North Dakota for five years immediately prior to the appointment, and~~
14 ~~must be the holder of a diploma or degree granted by a veterinary school, or by a~~
15 ~~college or university recognized by the board.~~

16 ~~—If any vacancy occurs on the board due to resignation, death, removal from the state, or~~
17 ~~suspension as herein provided, or for any other reason, the governor shall fill such vacancy. In~~
18 appointing the board members, the governor shall appoint three veterinarians, one veterinarian
19 technician, and one individual representing the public. In appointing the veterinarian members
20 of the board, the governor shall make an effort to appoint:

- 21 a. One veterinarian whose practice has a predominant focus on large animals;
- 22 b. One veterinarian whose practice has a predominant focus on small animals; and
- 23 c. One veterinarian whose practice focuses on both large and small animals.

