

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1996 SESSION

CHAPTER 766

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-3804.1, relating to regulations of the Board of Veterinary Medicine.

[H 925]

Approved April 6, 1996

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 54.1-3804.1 as follows:

§ 54.1-3804.1. Regulations shall not prohibit certain activities.

No regulation of the Board shall prohibit any veterinarian licensed by the Board from conducting drug testing at animal shows and events or from examining any animal and expressing a professional judgment as to its health at (i) genetic screening clinics where animals are examined for cardiac, ophthalmic and auditory diseases, (ii) agricultural fairs, (iii) 4-H or other youth organization competitions, (iv) livestock auctions, (v) horse races, (vi) fox hunts, (vii) pet adoption events, or (viii) animal shows including, but not limited to, dog shows, cat shows and horse shows.

2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.

3. That this act shall expire on the date that regulations promulgated by the Board of Veterinary Medicine that accomplish the intent of this act become effective.