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HOUSE BILL NO. 925

Offered January 22, 1996

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

Patron-Morgan

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

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 examining any animal and expressing a professional judgment as to its health at (i) genetic screening clinics where animals are examined for cardiac, opthalmic, thyroid or other problems or diseases, (ii) agricultural fairs, (iii) 4-H competitions, (iv) livestock auctions, (v) dog or horse races, (vi) fox hunts, (vi) pet adoption events, or (viii) animal shows, including but not limited to, dog shows, cat shows and horse

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