VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-3805.2, relating to the Board 3 of Veterinary Medicine; continuing education.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 54.1-3805.2 as follows: § 54.1-3805.2. Continuing education.

The Board shall adopt regulations which provide for continuing education requirements for relicensure and licensure by endorsement of veterinarians and veterinary technicians. After January 1, 1997, a veterinarian shall be required to complete a minimum of fifteen hours, and a veterinary technician shall be required to complete a minimum of six hours, of approved continuing education annually as a condition for renewal of a license. Continuing education courses shall be approved by the Board or by a Board-approved organization. Regulations of the Board adopted pursuant to this section may provide for the waiver of such continuing education requirements upon conditions as the Board deems appropriate.

2. That the Board of Veterinary Medicine shall adopt regulations providing for the continuing education of veterinarians and veterinary technicians and for the approval of continuing education courses and organizations within 280 days of the effective date of this act.