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**No. 50 of 1965**

**An Act to amend the Veterinary Surgeons Act,  
1935-1957.**

[Assented to 9th December, 1965.]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

**Short titles.**

**1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the "Veterinary Surgeons Act Amendment Act, 1965".

(2) The Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1935-1957, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the "Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1935-1965".

(3) The Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1935-1957, is hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".

**Incorporation.**

**2.** This Act is incorporated with the principal Act and that Act and this Act shall be read as one Act.

**Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s.17.—  
Qualifications  
for registration  
of veterinary  
surgeons.**

**3.** Section 17 of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by striking out the word "Empire" wherever it occurs in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Commonwealth" in each case;

(b) by striking out the word "four" in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five";

(c) by inserting immediately after the words "veterinary science" where secondly occurring in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) thereof the passage "or by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons for membership thereof".

4. Section 17 of the principal Act is further amended by striking out the passage "a fee of three guineas" in subsection (1a) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "the prescribed fee".

Amendment of principal Act, s. 17.—  
Additional qualification for registration of veterinary surgeons.

5. Section 21 of the principal Act is amended—

Amendment of principal Act, s. 21.—  
Registration and renewal fees.

(a) by striking out subsections (1) and (2) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following subsections:—

(1) Notwithstanding anything in this Act no person shall be registered until he has paid the appropriate registration fee or, in the case of a renewal of registration, the appropriate fee for the renewal of his registration in accordance with the regulations.

Registration fees.

(2) If the registrar is satisfied that a registered veterinary surgeon proposes to suspend his practice for the whole of a calendar year or a period exceeding six months in a calendar year, the registrar shall remit the whole or one-half, as the case may be, of any fee payable in respect of that year, and the registration of the veterinary surgeon shall continue notwithstanding the remission.

(3) Notwithstanding his registration, or anything in this Act no person shall be deemed at any time in any year to be registered unless and until he has paid the appropriate fee for renewal of his registration for that calendar year.

(b) by striking out all the words after the word "registered" where it last occurs in subsection (3) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the words "without payment of any fee".

6. Section 22 of the principal Act is amended by striking out the passage "the registration fee" in subsection (1) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "a registration fee".

Amendment of principal Act, s. 22.—  
Certificate of registration.

7. Section 23 of the principal Act is amended by striking out the passage "the registration fee" in subsection (1) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "a registration fee".

Amendment of principal Act, s. 23.—  
Provisional certificate.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 25.—  
Power of board  
to cancel  
registration,  
etc.

**8.** Section 25 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting after the words “mental defective” in paragraph (c) of subsection (1) thereof the passage “, or is suffering from any mental or physical infirmity which renders him incapable of practising as a veterinary surgeon” ;
- (b) by striking out the words “fifty pounds” in paragraph (d) of subsection (2) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the words “one hundred pounds”.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 28a.—  
Issue of  
permits.

**9.** Section 28a of the principal Act is amended by inserting immediately below subsection (2) thereof the following subsection :—

- (3) Every such permit may be issued subject to such terms and conditions as the board thinks fit.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 28b.—  
Duration of  
permits and  
fees.

**10.** Section 28b of the principal Act is amended by striking out the passage “a fee of two guineas” in subsection (2) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage “the prescribed fee”.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 28d.—  
Cancellation or  
suspension of  
permit.

**11.** Section 28d of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting at the end of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) thereof the passage “; or” ;
- (b) by adding immediately below paragraph (b) of subsection (1) the following paragraph :—

“(c) the board is satisfied has failed to comply with any of the terms and conditions of his permit. This provision shall not apply to a person who has held a permit for more than five years at the time of the passing of the Veterinary Surgeons Act Amendment Act, 1965”.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
ss. 29, 30,  
30a and 31.

**12.** Sections 29, 30, 30a and 31 of the principal Act are amended by striking out the words “fifty pounds” therein and inserting in lieu thereof in each case the words “one hundred pounds”.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 30a.—  
Holders of  
permits.

**13.** Section 30a of the principal Act is amended by inserting after the word “out” in subsection (1) thereof the passage “or causes or permits himself to be held out”.

**14. Section 31a of the principal Act is amended—**

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 31a—  
Exemptions  
from Act.

- (a) by striking out the passage “castration, spaying, or dehorning on any animal” in subsection (1) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the passage “castration or dehorning of any animal, or spaying of any animal other than dogs or cats” ;
- (b) by inserting after the word “charged” in subsection (2) thereof the passage “or reimbursement received in respect of any expenses incurred”.

**15. Section 34 of the principal Act is amended—**

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 34—  
Regulations.

- (a) by striking out the words “ten pounds” in paragraph ix thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the words “one hundred pounds” ;
- (b) by adding immediately below paragraph ix thereof the following paragraph :—
- x. Prescribing a code of professional conduct to be observed by persons registered under this Act and defining acts constituting unprofessional conduct under this Act.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

EDRIC BASTYAN, Governor.