

Veterinary Medical Board

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MEETING AGENDA

Veterinary Medical Board

The Veterinary Medical Board will meet via telephone conference on
Thursday, March 19, 2015 at the following locations:

Veterinary Medical Board
1747 N. Market Blvd., Peridot Room
Sacramento, California

1400 River Park Dr.
Sacramento, California

K Bowler Group
1111 H St #203
Sacramento, California

Veterinary Care Center
6666 Santa Monica Blvd.
Los Angeles, California

Western Riverside Animal
Shelter.
6851 Van Buren Blvd, Jurupa
Valley, California

1115 E Champlain Drive
Fresno, California

Zinc Café
350 Ocean Avenue
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

Thursday, March 19, 2015 – 11:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order - Establishment of a Quorum
2. Introductions
3. Review of and Possible Action on Committee's Recommendations Concerning the Proposed Pet Lovers License Plate Regulations
4. Consideration of and Possible Action on Legislative or Other Alternatives for Administration of the Pet Lover's License Plate Program
5. Comments from Public/Outside Agencies/Associations on Items Not on the Agenda
Note: The board may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code Sections 11125, 11125.7(a)).
6. Adjourn

This agenda can be found on the Veterinary Medical Board website at www.vmb.ca.gov. Times stated are approximate and subject to change. This meeting will conform to the Open Meeting Act. Agenda discussions and report items are subject to action being taken on them during the meeting by the Board at its discretion. The Board provides the public the opportunity at meetings to address each agenda item during the Board's discussion or consideration of the item. Total time allocated for public comment may be limited.

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MISSION

The mission of the Veterinary Medical Board is to protect consumers and animals by regulating licensees, promoting professional standards and diligent enforcement of the practice of veterinary medicine.

From: DelMugnaio, Annemarie@DCA
Sent: Friday, March 06, 2015 12:41 PM
To: Mathes, Ethan@DCA
Subject: Recommendation of Subcommittee to the VMB - Pet Lover's License Plate Regulations

Good morning everyone,

After reviewing the draft of the regulations and language, Judie and I discussed our options. We agreed that the regulations as written deviate greatly from the original intent of the program. We discussed which of the options presented by Kurt would best advance the Pet Plate Plan.

The first option, trying to amend the regulations using a “hybrid” model, does not seem feasible for many reasons. One main reason is the possibility that, after doing more work to amend regulations, obtain approval from DCA, the Department of Finance, and any other necessary department, the regulation may still be denied. There are also issues with resource allocation.

The second option, a regulatory “pure” model where the board has cradle to grave responsibility, also seems unrealistic. The VMB as the sponsoring agency would have oversight of the program, but would also have to take on overhead costs, auditing and reporting responsibilities, review of applications, etc. This additional work and responsibility would fall on the VMB staff, which was never the intention. This would create more of a burden on the staff who is already allocated their full time work, as well as putting even more work and responsibility on the Executive Officer. Again, with this option there are issues with resource allocation.

The third option, revising the statute to allow for some other mechanism, is what we recommend as the best option at this time. The statute as written will not allow another organization to “do the work” and remove most of the burden from the VMB as originally intended. We do not feel the VMB is in a position to take on, or should take on, this type of additional responsibility at this time. This option would involve more time and thought before moving forward, but ultimately seems to be the most realistic option. The language we received from legislative counsel from Bill Gage seemed like a good way to move forward with this option and would address the delegating authority issue raised by OAL.

Prepared by: Jennifer Loreda & Judie Mancuso

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.

as introduced, _____.

General Subject: Veterinary Medical Board: Pet Lover's License Plate Program.

Existing law establishes a specialized license plate program and requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue specialized license plates to a sponsoring state agency that meets certain requirements. Existing law imposes specified duties on a sponsoring agency, including the submission of an annual accounting report. Existing law appropriates specified moneys in the Specialized License Plate Fund derived from the issuance, renewal, transfer, and substitution of a specialized license plate issued under the Pet Lover's License Plate Program sponsored by the Veterinary Medical Board for the sole and exclusive purpose of funding grants to providers of no-cost or low-cost animal sterilization services.

This bill would authorize the board, with regard to its duties in relation to the Pet Lover's License Plate, to delegate those specified duties by entering into a collaborative relationship with a nonprofit organization with a close connection to the



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mission of the board or by retaining a nonprofit organization which would perform services as a contractor or coordinated services provider, as provided.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.



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An act to add Section 4809.9 to the Business and Professions Code,
relating to the Veterinary Medical Board.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 4809.9 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

4809.9. The board, with regard to its duties established in Article 8.6 (commencing with Section 5151) of Chapter 1 of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code in relation to the specialized license plates issued under the Pet Lover's License Plate Program sponsored by the board, may delegate those duties by entering into a collaborative relationship with a nonprofit organization with a close connection to the mission of the board or by retaining a nonprofit organization which would perform services as a contractor or coordinated services provider. The duties that may be delegated include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

(a) Determining the criteria for awarding grants to providers of no-cost or low-cost animal sterilization services pursuant to Chapter 375 of the Statutes of 2014 and collecting grant applications submitted on the Internet Web site, www.petloversplate.com.

(b) Recommending grant recipients to the board.

(c) Auditing grant recipients to ensure moneys are used according to grant requirements.

(d) Completion of any reporting requirements related to the specialized license plate.

(e) Marketing of the specialized license plate.

