

# Senate Bill 108

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires programs allowing students to diagnose and treat animals to be approved by Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to the practice of veterinary medicine; amending ORS 686.040.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 686.040 is amended to read:

5 686.040. (1) ORS 686.020 (1)(a) does not apply to commissioned veterinary officers of the United  
6 States Army, or those in the employ of other United States Government agencies while engaged in  
7 their official capacity, unless they enter into a private practice.

8 (2) Nothing in ORS 686.020 (1)(a) shall be so construed as to prevent any person or the agent  
9 or employee of the person from practicing veterinary medicine and surgery or dentistry in a humane  
10 manner on any animal belonging to the person, agent or employee or for gratuitous services or from  
11 dehorning and vaccinating cattle for the person, agent or employee.

12 (3) Nothing in ORS 686.020 (1)(a) shall be so construed as to prevent the selling of veterinary  
13 remedies and instruments by a licensed pharmacist at the regular place of business of the licensed  
14 pharmacist.

15 (4) A practitioner of allied health methods may practice that method on animals without vio-  
16 lating ORS 686.020 (1)(a), [so] **as** long as the practice is in conformance with laws and rules gov-  
17 erning the practitioner's practice and the practice is upon referral from a licensed veterinarian for  
18 treatment or therapy specified by the veterinarian.

19 (5) ORS 686.020 (1)(a) does not apply to the lay testing of poultry by the whole blood  
20 agglutination test.

21 (6) A certified euthanasia technician holding an active, current certificate may inject sodium  
22 pentobarbital, and any other euthanasia substance approved by the Oregon State Veterinary Med-  
23 ical Examining Board without violating ORS 686.020 (1)(a).

24 (7) The board by rule may specify circumstances under which unlicensed persons may give  
25 vaccinations, administer an anesthetic or otherwise assist in the practice of veterinary medicine.

26 (8) Any individual licensed as a veterinarian in another state may be used in consultation in this  
27 state with a person licensed to practice veterinary medicine in this state provided the consultation  
28 does not exceed 30 days in any 365 consecutive days.

29 (9) ORS 686.020 (1)(a) does not apply to authorized representatives of the State Department of  
30 Agriculture in the discharge of any duty authorized by the department.

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (10) ORS 686.020 (1)(a) does not apply to an unlicensed representative of a livestock association,  
2 cow-testing association, or poultry association who, for the benefit of the association, takes blood  
3 samples for laboratory tests for the diagnosis of livestock or poultry diseases, but only if this person  
4 has received authorization from the State Department of Agriculture following a written request to  
5 the department.

6 (11) ORS 686.020 (1)(a) does not apply to persons permitted by the State Department of Fish and  
7 Wildlife to rehabilitate orphaned, sick or injured wildlife, as defined in ORS 496.004, for the purpose  
8 of restoring the animals to the wild.

9 (12) ORS 686.020 (1)(a) does not apply to students, agents or employees of public or private ed-  
10 ucational or medical research institutions involved in educational or research activities under the  
11 auspices of those institutions.

12 (13) ORS 686.020 (1)(a) does not apply to:

13 (a) Veterinarians employed by Oregon State University[,];

14 (b) Instructors of veterinary courses[, or to]; **or**

15 (c) Students of veterinary science who participate in the diagnosis and treatment of animals[,  
16 *including those in off-campus educational programs who*] **if the students:**

17 (A) **Are participating in the diagnosis and treatment of animals while engaged in a**  
18 **board-approved educational program; and**

19 (B) Are under the direct supervision of Oregon licensed veterinarians.

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