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HB 2474 Relating to veterinary medicine

HB 2474 requires veterinary facilities to be registered with the Oregon Veterinary Medical Examining Board and allows for the Board to establish registration and renewal fees as well as an inspection program. The measure establishes a rules advisory committee to provide recommendations to the Board on the establishment of the rules for the program.

The Veterinary Board anticipates adopting through rule a \$150 annual registration fee to cover the costs of the new registration and inspection program. The Board anticipates providing facilities with a self-certification for compliance with minimum facility standards for the first year, while the rules advisory committee forms its recommendations. Once the initial registration fees are realized, the Board intends to hire a full-time Investigator position to ensure compliance with the adopted rules. House Bill 5023, the budget bill for the Veterinary Board, assumes passage of this bill.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 2474 be reported out do pass.