## Senate Bill 222

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## **SUMMARY**

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Directs Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board to adopt rules to require person licensed to practice veterinary medicine to provide written copy of prescription for animal medication to animal owner.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

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- 2 Relating to veterinary medicine; and declaring an emergency.
  - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
    - SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2017 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 686.
  - <u>SECTION 2.</u> The Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board shall adopt rules relating to prescriptions for drugs issued by a person licensed to practice veterinary medicine. The rules adopted under this section must:
  - (1) Require a prescriber to provide to the owner of the animal for which the prescription is issued a copy of the prescription and a written statement that the owner may fill the prescription through the prescriber, if the prescriber carries the drugs prescribed, or through a pharmacy chosen by the owner; and
    - (2) Prohibit the prescriber from charging a fee for the issuance of the prescription.
    - SECTION 3. (1) Section 2 of this 2017 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2018.
  - (2) The Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the board to exercise, on or after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on the board by section 2 of this 2017 Act.
  - <u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.

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