

## **Veterinary Practice Act; SB 289**

**SB 289** amends provisions of the Veterinary Practice Act to allow the Board of Veterinary Examiners to inspect and audit the records and compliance with the standards of practice of any veterinarian, as well as to take any disciplinary action against the licensed veterinarian consistent with the provisions of the bill and any rules and regulations adopted by the Board.

Additionally, the bill establishes a fee for the inspection and audit of records and compliance with standards of practice, which may not be less than \$50 and no more than \$150.

The bill gives the Board the authority to refuse or restrict a license to practice because an applicant had entered into a plea agreement or a diversion agreement in lieu of further criminal proceedings on a complaint alleging a felony violation.

Finally, the bill also allows the Board to examine and determine the qualifications and fitness of applicants for registration, to register veterinarian technicians, and to issue, renew, deny, and take other actions toward the registration of veterinary technicians in the state.