

Alabama State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

RULE NUMBER: 930-X-1-.01

TITLE OF RULE: INTRODUCTION/DEFINITIONS

(1) The Alabama Veterinary Practice Act of the general statutes of Alabama establishes and authorizes the Alabama State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners hereafter referred to as the Board.

(2) In order to promote the public health, safety and welfare by safeguarding the people of this state against unqualified or incompetent practitioners of veterinary medicine and veterinary technology it is hereby declared that the right to practice veterinary medicine and veterinary technology a privilege conferred by legislative grant to persons having the personal and professional qualifications specified in the Alabama Practice Act and this Administrative Code.

(3) **Definitions** – for the purposes of defining and clarifying the following terms in the Administrative Code 930-X-1, the following definitions shall be ascribed by this rule.

(a) **501(c)(3) Organization.** If a 501(c)(3) status is acquired for purposes of establishing a non-profit veterinary practice all veterinary practice owners shall be licensed veterinarians.

(b) **Licensed Veterinary Technician.** Only LVT's that have been issued a certificate of qualification by the ASBVME shall be allowed to use the title of LVT.

(c) **Veterinary Practice Owner.** Any licensed veterinarian or group of licensed veterinarians who has the ability to sell the veterinary practice without approval or authority or any other non-licensed individuals shall be defined as Veterinary Practice Owner. Proof of ownership, though not limited to the following, shall consist of the following:

1. Articles of Corporation
2. Form 990
3. Personal Tax Return
4. Employee's Contract
5. AAA Financials

(d) **Veterinary Technician.** For the purpose of clarification in the Administrative Code the term "veterinary technician" shall be interpreted as "licensed veterinary technician".

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Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama 1975, §§34-29-62, 34-29-63.