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CHAPTER 239.

The Veterinary Science Practice Act.

Interpreta-
tion.

1. In this Act,—

"Associa-
tion."

(a) "Association" shall mean the Ontario Veterinary Association;

"Board."

(b) "Board" shall mean the Veterinary Practice Board;

"Minister."

(c) "Minister" shall mean the Minister of Agriculture;

"Registrar."

(d) "Registrar" shall mean the Registrar of the Ontario Veterinary Association; 1931, c. 44, s. 2, cls. (a-d).

"Veterinary
science."

(e) "Veterinary science" shall mean the application of medicine or surgery to the ailments of any kind of live stock or domestic animals except for the purpose of parturition, castration and dehorning. 1931, c. 44, s. 2, cl. (e); 1933, c. 66, s. 2.

Ontario
Veterinary
Association.

2. All persons duly qualified and registered under the provisions of this Act to practise veterinary science shall constitute the Ontario Veterinary Association. 1931, c. 44, s. 3.

Corporate
name and
powers.

3. The Association shall be a corporate body by the name aforesaid, having a common seal, with power to make by-laws, rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary governing its members, and to fix the fees of admission and annual fees, and shall prescribe the form of certificate to be issued under this Act. 1931, c. 44, s. 4.

Certificate
required.

4. On and after the 1st day of June, 1931, no person shall practise veterinary science for fees in Ontario without a certificate entitling him so to do. 1931, c. 44, s. 5.

Board to
approve
certificates.

5. Such certificates shall be issued annually by the registrar to recognized graduates in veterinary science upon the recommendation of a board of three members to be appointed each year by the Association and to be known as the Veterinary Practice Board. 1931, c. 44, s. 6.

6. The registrar shall be appointed each year by the Association and it shall be the duty of the registrar to issue the necessary certificates and to make and keep a correct register of those receiving certificates each year and to remove delinquents from the register from time to time as recommended by the Board. 1931, c. 44, s. 7.

7. Applications for certificates shall be made to the registrar and referred by him to the Board and it shall be the duty of the Board to carefully examine the evidence submitted as to the standing of each applicant for such certificate and recommendations shall be made only in the cases of,—

(a) graduates in veterinary science of the Ontario Veterinary College or of the University of Toronto; or

(b) graduates in veterinary science of any veterinary college or university recognized by the Board as being at least equal in standing to the Ontario Veterinary College, and who have passed an examination conducted by the Board equivalent to that prescribed by the University of Toronto for the degree of Bachelor of Veterinary Science. 1931, c. 44, s. 8.

8.—(1) Any person who on the 2nd day of April, 1931, holds a certificate from the Minister issued under clause c of section 5 of *The Veterinary Science Practice Act, 1920*, or under *The Veterinary Science Practice Act (R.S.O. 1927, chapter 208)* and does not obtain a certificate issued under section 5 may, notwithstanding any provision of this Act or the absence of such last mentioned certificate, continue to practise veterinary science for fees in Ontario, subject to the following conditions,—

(a) no such person shall in his practice use any of the letters, or abbreviations thereof, mentioned in section 11;

(b) no such person shall in his practice use the title or distinction of "doctor" or any abbreviation thereof;

(c) every such person shall in his practice upon any written or printed matter used or issued by him have clearly written, printed or stamped thereon the words "Licensed only under *The Veterinary*

Registrar's
duties.

Applications
for
certificates.

Persons
entitled to
practise.

1920, c. 51;
Rev. Stat.
c. 208.

Science Practice Act, 1920," or "Licensed only under *The Veterinary Science Practice Act, R.S.O. 1927*" as the case may be.

Cancellation of certificate by Minister.

(2) The Minister may cancel the certificate held by any person entitled to practise under this section, whereupon such person shall cease to practise veterinary science and shall be liable to the penalties imposed by this Act if he thereafter practises veterinary science without a certificate issued under this Act. 1933, c. 66, s. 6.

Cancellation of certificate by registrar.

9. The registrar, upon the recommendation of the Board, may cancel any certificate upon evidence that the holder thereof has been convicted in the courts of an indictable offence, or is of bad repute through disgraceful conduct, or is in default of any fees payable by him to the Association, whereupon such person shall cease to have any of the privileges of a veterinary surgeon under this Act. 1931, c. 44, s. 10.

Conducting courses in veterinary science.

10. No person or persons, association, company or organization shall hereafter conduct in Ontario courses in veterinary science for which fees are charged or certificates or diplomas granted without a certificate of authorization from the Minister, and a certificate shall only be issued after investigation by the Board has shown that the requirements of admission and courses of study and instruction are at least equal in standard to that of the Ontario Veterinary College. 1931, c. 44, s. 11.

Use of titles restricted.

11. No person, other than a graduate in veterinary science of a recognized college or university, shall use the title "Veterinary," "Veterinarian," "Veterinary Surgeon" or append to his name any of these titles, or any abbreviation thereof, and no graduate in veterinary science shall use any title or degree which has not been conferred on him by a recognized college or university. 1931, c. 44, s. 12.

Right to professional fees.

12. Any person holding a certificate from the registrar shall be entitled to professional fees in attending any court of law in such cases as relate to the veterinary profession. 1931, c. 44, s. 13.

Regulations.

13. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council upon the recommendation of the Minister may make regulations governing,—

(a) the Board and its powers, duties and proceedings;

- (b) the registrar and his powers and duties;
- (c) appeals from any decision of the Board; and
- (d) any other matters for carrying out the provisions of this Act and particularly of section 8. 1933, c. 66, s. 7.

14. Any person violating any provision of this Act shall be ^{Penalty.} guilty of an offence and shall incur a penalty of not more than \$100 nor less than \$50 to be recoverable by the Association under *The Summary Convictions Act*. 1931, c. 44, s. 14.

Rev. Stat.
c. 136.