

development rights easement. The Foundation may acquire easements based upon the availability of funds as allocated by the counties, in accord with a competitive formula provided by law and subject to local recommendation and appraisal. Easements thus acquired are perpetual, but may be repurchased after twenty-five years if certain procedures and requirements are met.

In addition, the Foundation may receive by gift, devise, bequest, or grant easements in gross or other rights to restrict the use of agricultural land and woodland.

The Foundation is governed and administered by a Board of Trustees composed of two ex officio members and nine at large members appointed by the Governor. At least five at large members must be farmer representatives from different areas of the State, and one must be a non-farm representative from the Department of State Planning. The chairperson of the Board of Trustees is appointed by the Governor from among the nine at large trustees. Upon recommendation of the Board of Trustees at large, the Secretary appoints the Executive Director (Code Agriculture Article, secs. 2-501 through 2-515).

STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

President: A. Cleveland Brown, D.V.M., 1989

Robert Grant Ammons, Jr., D.V.M., 1985; Carol Johnson, 1986; Alvin E. Friedman, 1987; Joseph R. McCrea, D.V.M., 1988; Sandra O. Karn, D.V.M., 1989; Dr. James B. Rutledge, Jr., D.V.M., 1984.

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The State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners was established by Chapter 273, Acts of 1894, and enlarged by Chapter 635, Acts of 1974. The Board passes upon the qualifications of candidates for licenses to practice veterinary medicine in the State and examines such persons. It may conduct hearings and pass upon complaints of illegal or unethical practices or sanitarian requirements and may institute proceedings in the courts against those engaged in illegal practices.

The Board is composed of seven members. They are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for five-year terms. Each appointment is made from a list of at least three names for each vacancy submitted to the Governor

by the Secretary of Agriculture. Five members are veterinarians who are licensed and registered and engaged in active practice. Of these five, two must have their practices predominantly for large animals. Two members of the Board must not be veterinarians (Code Agriculture Article, secs. 2-301 through 2-313).

VETERINARY TECHNICIAN COMMITTEE

not yet appointed

The Veterinary Technician Committee was created in 1984 as part of the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (Chapter 640, Acts of 1984). The Committee, subject to the Board's approval, registers and regulates veterinary technicians. It determines the qualifications for applicants, recommends the content and form of examinations, and establishes continuing education requirements for veterinary technicians. The Committee also defines the duties and responsibilities of registered veterinary technicians.

The Committee consists of seven members appointed by the State Board, subject to the approval of the Secretary of Agriculture.

BOARD OF INSPECTION OF HORSE RIDING STABLES

Chairman: Virginia B. Thackeray, 1988

Pauline Buell, 1985; Judith E. McGaughan, 1985; Diana Lee Bobbie, 1988; Walter H. Mitchell, D.V.M., 1988.

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The Board of Inspection of Horse Riding Stables, created by Chapter 474, Acts of 1968, was transferred from the Department of Licensing and Regulation to the Department of Agriculture by Chapter 618, Acts of 1980.

The Board is empowered to license all horse riding stables where one or more horses or ponies are let for hire to be ridden or driven. It also licenses establishments that stable five or more horses for pay, sales barns, and all establishments where five or more horses are sold per year.

The Board may appoint a qualified inspector and it may designate officers of county Humane Societies, Societies for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and licensed veterinarians to act as its agents and to make routine inspections.