

SEC. 150. That from and after the passage of this Act any person shall be regarded as practicing Veterinary Medicine and Surgery in the State of Maryland who shall, in said State, append or cause to be appended to his name the letters V. S., D. V. M., V. M. D., M. D. V., M. D. C., D. V. S., or M. R. C. V. S., or the words "veterinary," "veterinarian," "veterinary surgeon," "veterinary dentist," "veterinary farrier," "veterinary horseshoer," "horse dentist" or "horse doctor," or who shall prescribe, advise, or apply any drug or medicine or other agency, for the relief or cure of any sick, diseased or injured animal, or who shall publicly profess to do any of these things, and who charge or receive therefor money or other compensation, directly or indirectly; provided, however, that any person may without compensation apply any medicine and perform any operation for treatment, relief, or cure of any sick, diseased or injured animal. Provided further, however, this Act shall not apply to those persons who have been engaged in the practice of gelding, but they shall be at liberty to continue the said practice without registering with the State Veterinary Medical Board.

SEC. 150-A. *And be it further enacted,* That any person who has received a diploma from a veterinary college lawfully authorized to confer the same, and who has maintained an office for the practice of veterinary medicine in Montgomery County for the period of five years on or before the passage of this Act, upon submission of proof of such facts to the State Veterinary Medical Board and the payment of a fee of one dollar, shall be licensed by said Board to practice veterinary medicine in said Montgomery County without examination. Any person, not a graduate of a college lawfully authorized to confer a degree in veterinary medicine, who has been continuously engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine, as a means of livelihood, in Montgomery County for a period of five years previous to the passage of this Act, upon proof of such facts to the State Veterinary Medical Board, shall be allowed to continue the practice of the same, and be entitled to be registered by said Board within nine months from date of the passage of this Act.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 16th, 1914.