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By Representatives Dyer, Backlund, Morris, Johnson, Campbell, Cooke, Skinner, Chandler, Casada, Schoesler, Boldt, Mulliken, Huff, Mitchell, Thompson, Foreman, Robertson, Buck, Clements, Smith, Delvin, Carrell, Mielke and Sheahan

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1 AN ACT Relating to veterinary practice; and amending RCW 18.92.010.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.92.010 and 1959 c 92 s 1 are each amended to read  
4 as follows:

5 Any person shall be regarded as practicing veterinary medicine,  
6 surgery and dentistry within the meaning of this chapter who shall,  
7 within this state, (1) by advertisement, or by any notice, sign, or  
8 other indication, or by a statement written, printed or oral, in public  
9 or private, made, done, or procured by himself or herself, or any  
10 other, at his or her request, for him or her, represent, claim,  
11 announce, make known or pretend his or her ability or willingness to  
12 diagnose or prognose or treat diseases, deformities, defects, wounds,  
13 or injuries of animals; (2) or who shall so advertise, make known,  
14 represent or claim his or her ability and willingness to prescribe or  
15 administer any drug, medicine, treatment, method or practice, or to  
16 perform any operation, manipulation, or apply any apparatus or  
17 appliance for cure, amelioration, correction or reduction or  
18 modification of any animal disease, deformity, defect, wound or injury,  
19 for hire, fee, compensation, or reward, promised, offered, expected,

1 received, or accepted directly or indirectly; (3) or who shall within  
2 this state diagnose or prognose any animal diseases, deformities,  
3 defects, wounds or injuries, for hire, fee, reward, or compensation  
4 promised, offered, expected, received, or accepted directly or  
5 indirectly; (4) or who shall within this state prescribe or administer  
6 any drug, medicine, treatment, method or practice, or perform any  
7 operation, or manipulation, or apply any apparatus or appliance for the  
8 cure, amelioration, alleviation, correction, or modification of any  
9 animal disease, deformity, defect, wound, or injury, for hire, fee,  
10 compensation, or reward, promised, offered, expected, received or  
11 accepted directly or indirectly; (5) or who performs any manual  
12 procedure for the diagnosis of pregnancy, sterility, or infertility  
13 upon livestock; (6) or who implants any electronic device for the  
14 purpose of establishing or maintaining positive identification of  
15 animals.

16       The opening of an office or place of business for the practice of  
17 veterinary medicine, the use of a sign, card, device or advertisement  
18 as a practitioner of veterinary medicine or as a person skilled in such  
19 practice shall be prima facie evidence of engaging in the practice of  
20 veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry.

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