

## Update (1/25-28/2008) SB 316: A Bill to Amend the Veterinary Practice Act in Indiana

DIGEST OF SB 316 (Updated January 23, 2008 5:36 pm - DI 116) (Posted 1/25/08).

See: <http://www.in.gov/legislative/bills/2008/SB/SB0316.1.html>

This appears to reflect the changes noted in the Committee Report filed on 1/24/08, regarding the definition of "Patient" and the addition of "patient" to "Veterinary-Client-Patient Relationship.

See: <http://www.in.gov/legislative/bills/2008/PDF/SCR/CR031601.001.pdf>

SB 316-1— Filed 01/28/2008, 10:18 Dillon

### SENATE MOTION

#### MADAM PRESIDENT:

I move that Senate Bill 316 be amended to read as follows:

1 Page 19, line 2, delete "prescribing, dispensing," and insert

2 "**prescribing**".

3 Page 34, line 11, delete "or immunizing product".

(Reference is to 316 as printed January 25, 2008.)

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Senator DILLON

See: <http://www.in.gov/legislative/bills/2008/PDF/SAMF/RS031601.001.pdf>

SB 316-2— Filed 01/28/2008, 10:29 Young R

### SENATE MOTION

#### MADAM PRESIDENT:

I move that Senate Bill 316 be amended to read as follows:

1 Page 16, between lines 41 and 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

2 "**Sec. 1.5. This article does not apply to the manufacture,**

3 **distribution, storage, transportation, sale, or use of a veterinary**

4 **drug, including antibiotics and immunization products, if federal**

5 **law does not restrict the drug to:**

6 **(1) use by; or**

7 **(2) use on the order of;**

8 **a licensed veterinarian.**".

(Reference is to SB 316 as printed January 25, 2008.)

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Senator YOUNG R

See: <http://www.in.gov/legislative/bills/2008/PDF/SAMF/MO031601.002.pdf>

## Update (1/24/2008) SB 316: A Bill to Amend the Veterinary Practice Act in Indiana

01/24/2008 S Committee report: amend do pass, adopted

SB 316-1\_ Filed 01/24/2008, 08:48

Adopted 1/24/2008

### COMMITTEE REPORT

#### MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Small Business, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 316, has

had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

SOURCE: Page 18, line 19; (08)CR031601.18. --> Page 18, line 19, delete "; and" and insert " **for which a veterinarian-client-patient relationship exists; and**".

Page 18, line 21, delete ", if a veterinarian-client" and insert " .".

Page 18, delete line 22.

Page 18, between lines 25 and 26, begin a new paragraph and insert:

" **Sec. 10.5. "Patient" means an animal that is examined or treated by a veterinarian.**"

Page 19, line 23, delete ""Veterinarian-client" and insert " **Veterinarian-client-patient**".

Page 19, line 31, delete "general".

Page 24, line 31, delete "A part of the examination fees".

Page 24, delete lines 32 through 40.

Page 27, line 22, delete ";" and insert " **or IC 25-1-9-6;**".

Page 33, line 26, delete "veterinarian-client" and insert " **veterinarian-client-patient**".

Page 34, line 9, delete "veterinarian-client" and insert " **veterinarian-client-patient**".

Page 34, line 16, delete "veterinarian-client" and insert " **veterinarian-client-patient**".

Page 39, line 9, delete "the following:" and insert " **any grants or**

**public and private financial assistance designated for the fund.**".

Page 39, delete lines 10 through 12.

(Reference is to SB 316 as introduced.)

**and when so amended that said bill do pass.**

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

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**Nugent**  
**Chairperson**

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## **Update (1/22-23/2008) SB 316: A Bill to Amend the Veterinary Practice Act in Indiana**

01/22/08: Senator Lawson added as coauthor

1/23/08: SB 316 passed out of the Senate Ag and Small Business Senate Committee this morning by a vote of 11-0. This was an important and necessary step to keep our bill moving along. Dr. Somerville testified and Drs. Pete Bill and Jim Weisman were present to answer questions. Debbie Stevenson, RVT, also attended the meeting this morning. The bill now moves to 2nd reading in the State Senate.

## **Update (1/16/08): SB 316: A Bill to Amend the Veterinary Practice Act in Indiana**

SB 316 is on the agenda for the *Agriculture and Small Business (Senate) Committee* for Wednesday, January 23, 2008 at 8:00 AM, Room # 431.

(<http://www.in.gov/legislative/reports/2008/BSCHDS.PDF>)

The Chairperson of the *Agriculture and Small Business Committee* is Senator Nugent and the Members of the committee are Senators: Waterman R.M., Hershman, Jackman, Paul, Walker, Zakas, R. Young R.M.M., Deig, Hume, Lewis.

The *Senate Rules and Orders* can be found at: <http://www.in.gov/legislative/session/senate1.pdf>.

Public participation, in addition to contacting your legislator or committee members, is covered on page 19, Article 54 (a) regarding access to the committee meetings. (Note: These are 2007 Senate Rules and Orders. As of posting this update, the 2008 version has not been posted.)

### **SB 316: A Bill to Amend the Veterinary Practice Act in Indiana**

Senate Bill 316 has been introduced into the Indiana State Senate by Senator Dillon. If this bill becomes law, it will affect all veterinarians and veterinary technicians, and the patients and clients they serve in the state of Indiana.

The SB 316 was in part developed by a task force of the Indiana Veterinary Medical Association that met from August of 2006 until August of 2007. The taskforce consisted of veterinarians, veterinary technicians, veterinary students, the executive director for the IVMA and a legislative consultant.

The role of the task force was to identify possible limitations of the Indiana Veterinary Practice Act. The task force reviewed the current Indiana Practice Act, model practice acts, and the practice acts of all other states. It also addressed known current veterinary related issues that affect the animal and client population, members of the veterinary health care team and general public in Indiana.

Upon completion of their charge, a draft bill was developed and delivered to the IVMA Legislative Committee and Executive Board for critique, possible revision and approval.

The proposed bill was then carried to Senator Dillon, and after his review and revision, he filed and introduced the bill on Thursday, January 10, 2008. (Please see *How a Bill Becomes a Law in Indiana* at: <http://www.in.gov/idoa/files/BillintoLaw.pdf>)

To view and follow the proposed bill and voice your opinion:

1. Go to the following web site and entering 316 in the box directly below the words Go To Bill:

Legislative Bill Information: <http://www.in.gov/apps/lisa/session/billwatch/billinfo>

2. You can voice your opinions on the bill in multiple ways: a/b. with your local legislator, c. the legislative committee reviewing the bill, d. ultimately with the governor, and e. the IVMA

a. To find and contact your local legislator, go to:

Who is your legislator? <http://www.in.gov/apps/sos/legislator/search/>

How to contact your legislature? <http://www.in.gov/legislative/contact/index.html>

b. To find the current legislative committee taking action on the bill, see:

Current Status on the Bill Information page, reached after you entered 316 in Step #1 (above).

c. To contact the committee go to:

Standing Committees at:

<http://www.in.gov/apps/lisa/session/billwatch/billinfo?request=getCommitteeList> and search for the committee listed under Current Status on the Bill Information page.

- d. To contact the *governor*, go to: <http://www.in.gov/gov/2310.htm>
- e. The *Indiana Veterinary Medical Association* can also be contacted to address concerns and questions: Ms. Lisa Perius, Executive Director, 201 S. Capitol Avenue, Suite 405, Indianapolis, IN 46225, Phone: 317-974-0888, Fax: 317-974-0985, E-mail: [lisa@invma.org](mailto:lisa@invma.org).