A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERINARY MEDICINE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECT	ION 1. Section 471-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended b	y amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3	"(b)	In addition to any other actions authorized by law,
4	the board	may revoke or suspend the license of any veterinarian
5	or fine t	he licensee, or both, for any cause authorized by law,
6	including	but not limited to the following:
7	(1)	Professional misconduct, gross negligence, or manifest
8		incapacity;
9	(2)	Violation of this chapter or the rules adopted
10		pursuant thereto or any other law which applies to the
11		licensee as a practicing veterinarian;
12	(3)	Making any false representations or promises through
13		advertising or otherwise;
14	(4)	Habitual intemperance in the use of alcoholic
15	•	beverages or addiction to the use of narcotic or
16		dangerous substances;
17	(5)	Mental incompetence;

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1	(6)	Any fraudulent, dishonest, or deceitful act in
2		connection with the practice of veterinary medicine;
3	(7)	Making a false statement in any document submitted or
4		required to be filed by this chapter;
5	(8)	Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action
6		by another state of a license or certificate for
7		reasons as provided in this section;
8	(9)	Conviction, whether by nolo contendere or otherwise,
9		or a penal offense substantially related to the
10		qualifications, functions, or duties of a
11		veterinarian, notwithstanding any statutory provision
12		to the contrary;
13	(10)	Violation of chapter 329, the uniform controlled
14		substances act, or any rule adopted thereto; [or]
15	(11)	Failure to report any disciplinary action taken
16		against a licensee in another jurisdiction within
17		thirty days after the disciplinary action becomes
18		final[+]; or
19	(12)	Conduct or practice contrary to the recognized
20		principles of medical ethics of the veterinary
21		profession, as adopted by the Hawaii Veterinary

I	Medical Association and the American Veterinary
2	Medical Association."
3	SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
4	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
5	begun before its effective date.
6	SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
8	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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	INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Veterinary Medicine; Disciplinary Action

Description:

Adds conduct contrary to principles of medical ethics of the Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association and the American Veterinary Medical Association as grounds for revocation or suspension of a license to practice veterinary medicine.

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