

## **SENATE BILL 196:** Veterinary Practice Omnibus.

2017-2018 General Assembly

Committee:		Date:	August 15, 2017
Introduced by:		Prepared by:	Chris Saunders
Analysis of:	S.L. 2017-146		Staff Attorney

**OVERVIEW:** S.L. 2017-146 clarifies that a license from the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board is not required to engage in the activity or profession of shoeing hooved animals, and directs the Veterinary Division of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to study veterinary pharmaceutical compounding.

This act became effective July 20, 2017.

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

Section 1 of S.L. 2017-146 provides that a farrier or person actively engaged in the activity or profession of shoeing hooved animals does not require a license from the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board as long as the person's actions are limited to the art of shoeing hooved animals or trimming, clipping, or maintaining hooves.

Section 2 of S.L. 2017-146 directs the Veterinary Division of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (Division) to study veterinary pharmaceutical compounding (VPC). The study must include a review of current State and federal policies regulating VPC and make recommendations for additional legislation needed to increase protection of animals receiving administered compounded pharmaceutical agents and provide necessary oversight of (i) veterinary compounding pharmacies, (ii) veterinary pharmaceutical manufacturers engaging in VPC, and (iii) veterinary practices that prescribe or administer compounded pharmaceutical agents. The Division must consult with the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy and the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board. The Division must submit its report and any recommendations to the Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee, the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, and the Environmental Review Commission no later than March 1, 2018.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act became effective July 20, 2017.

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