

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

LS 6307
BILL NUMBER: SB 56

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 16, 2026
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Veterinary Licensing.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Leising
FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Baird

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: The bill provides that the Board of Veterinary Medicine may issue a license or registration to a qualified applicant without an examination if the qualified applicant: (1) satisfies the requirements for reciprocity of health care professionals; and (2) otherwise meets the requirements to become a licensed veterinarian or a registered veterinary technician.

Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

Explanation of State Expenditures: It is likely the Board of Veterinary Medicine would be able to implement the bill's requirements as a routine matter of administrative business. The Professional Licensing Agency (PLA) would likely update the PLA's Veterinary Medicine web page based on the bill's proposed changes. The PLA may also notify current licensed practitioners of the bill's proposed changes.

Explanation of State Revenues: It is indeterminable whether the proposed changes would impact the number of licenses issued in future state fiscal years. Although, any changes in license fee revenue would likely be minor.

Additional Information— There are currently 2,833 active veterinarian and 2,346 active registered veterinarian technicians licensed in Indiana. Licensing revenues totaled \$393,435 over FY 2024 and FY 2025.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Board of Veterinary Medicine; Professional Licensing Agency.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Professional Licensing Agency License Verification Tool, search conducted November 12, 2025: mylicense.in.gov/EVerification/Search.aspx; Legislative Services Agency, *Indiana*

Handbook of Taxes, Revenues, and Appropriations, FY 2025: <https://iga.in.gov/publications/handbooks>.

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