Bill No. <u>SB 472</u> Amendment No. ____ CHAMBER ACTION <u>Senate</u> House 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 Senator Gutman moved the following amendment: 12 13 Senate Amendment (with title amendment) On page 5, line 11, through page 6, line 21, delete 14 15 those lines 16 17 and insert: 18 Section 2. Section 474.207, Florida Statutes, is 19 amended to read: 20 474.207 Licensure by examination.--(1) Any person desiring to be licensed as a 21 22 veterinarian shall apply to the department to take a licensure examination. The board may by rule adopt use of a national 23 examination in lieu of part or all of the examination required 24 by this section, with a reasonable passing score to be set by 25 26 rule of the board. 27 (2) The department shall license each applicant who the board certifies has: 28 29 (a) Completed the application form and remitted an 30 examination fee set by the board. 31 (b)1. Graduated from a college of veterinary medicine 1 s0472c-34k0a 4:16 PM 03/31/98

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accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association 1 2 Council on Education; or 3 2. Graduated from a college of veterinary medicine 4 listed in the American Veterinary Medical Association Roster of Veterinary Colleges of the World and obtained a certificate 5 6 from the Education Commission for Foreign Veterinary 7 Graduates. (c) Successfully completed the examination provided by 8 9 the department for this purpose, or an examination determined 10 by the board to be equivalent. (d) Demonstrated knowledge of the laws and rules 11 12 governing the practice of veterinary medicine in Florida in a 13 manner designated by rules of the board. 14 15 The department shall not issue a license to any applicant who 16 is under investigation in any state or territory of the United 17 States or in the District of Columbia for an act which would

18 constitute a violation of this chapter until the investigation19 is complete and disciplinary proceedings have been terminated,20 at which time the provisions of s. 474.214 shall apply.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (2)(b), An applicant <u>has</u> shall be deemed to have met the education requirements for licensure upon submission of evidence that the applicant <u>meets one of the following:</u>

25 (a) The applicant was certified for examination by the
26 board prior to October 1, 1989; or

27 (b) The applicant immigrated to the United States 28 after leaving her or his home country because of political 29 reasons, <u>if provided</u> such country is located in the Western 30 Hemisphere and lacks diplomatic relations with the United 31 States, + and:

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1	(a) l. Was a Florida resident immediately preceding her						
2	or his application for licensure; and						
3	(b)1.2. Demonstrates to the board, through submission of						
4	documentation verified by the applicant's respective						
5	professional association in exile, that she or he received a						
б	professional degree in veterinary medicine from a college or						
7	university located in the country from which she or he						
8	emigrated. However, the board may not require the receipt of						
9	transcripts from the Republic of Cuba as a condition of						
10	eligibility under this section; and						
11	2. Demonstrates to the board that, prior to October 1,						
12	1989, he or she was enrolled in a school of veterinary						
13	medicine listed in the American Veterinary Medical Association						
14	Roster of Colleges of the World; and						
15	3. Successfully completed a board-approved course of						
16	250 hours in veterinary science offered on October 8, 1997, by						
17	the Cuban Veterinary Medical Association in Exile, in						
18	conjunction with the Florida International Medical Association						
19	and Dade County public schools, which included a						
20	competency-based examination and the granting of licenses to						
21	persons passing the examination; or						
22	(c)1. The applicant demonstrates to the board that,						
23	prior to October 1, 1989, he or she was enrolled in a school						
24	of veterinary medicine listed in the American Veterinary						
25	Medical Association Roster of Colleges of the World;						
26	2. Was a Florida resident immediately preceding her or						
27	his application for licensure; and						
28	3. Successfully completed a board-approved course of						
29	250 hours in veterinary science offered on October 8, 1997, by						
30	the Cuban Veterinary Medical Association in Exile, in						
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and Dade County public schools, which included a 1 competency-based examination and the granting of licenses to 2 3 persons passing the examination. 4 3. Lawfully practiced her or his profession for at 5 least 3 years. (4) Applicants certified for examination or б 7 reexamination under subsection (3) who fail or have failed the examination three times <u>must</u> subsequent to October 1, 1989, 8 shall be required to demonstrate to the board that they meet 9 10 the requirements of paragraph (2)(b) or paragraph (3)(c) prior to any further reexamination or certification for licensure. 11 12 (5) An unlicensed doctor of veterinary medicine who 13 has graduated from an approved college or school of veterinary medicine and has completed all parts of the examination for 14 15 licensure is permitted, while awaiting the results of such 16 examination for licensure or while awaiting issuance of the 17 license, to practice under the immediate supervision of a licensed veterinarian. A person who fails any part of the 18 examination may not continue to practice, except in the same 19 20 capacity as other nonlicensed veterinary employees, until she 21 or he passes the examination and is eligible for licensure. 22 23 24 And the title is amended as follows: 25 On page 1, lines 6 through 8, delete those lines 26 27 28 and insert: medical practice; amending s. 474.207, F.S.; 29 30 revising requirements for certain persons to take the examination for licensure as a 31 4

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