

Veterinary Surgeons Registration (Amendment) Bill 2014

Committee Stage

Amendments to be moved by the Secretary for Food and Health

<u>Clause</u>	<u>Amendment Proposed</u>
3(3)	In the proposed definition of <i>assessor</i> , by adding “or 17B(2)” after “17A(2)”.
9(2)	By deleting “17D(3)” and substituting “18(1A)”.
11	In the heading, by deleting “ 17D ” and substituting “ 17E ”.
11	By deleting the proposed section 17D(3).
11	In the proposed section 17D, by adding— “(3A) The committee may decide whether or not to refer the complaint to an inquiry committee. (3B) However, a decision under subsection (3A) must be unanimous. (3C) If the committee fails to make a unanimous decision under subsection (3A), it must refer the complaint to the Board.”.
11	By adding— “ 17E. Complaints referred to the Board under section 17D(3C) (1) If a complaint is referred to the Board under section 17D(3C), it may decide whether or not to refer the complaint to an inquiry committee.

- (2) If the Board refers the complaint to an inquiry committee, the Secretary must, as soon as practicable, send to the registered veterinary surgeon being complained of (*subject person*)—
 - (a) a notice of the referral; and
 - (b) a statement of the substance of the complaint.
- (3) The notice and statement must be sent by prepaid registered post to the last known address of the subject person.
- (4) If the Board decides not to refer the complaint to an inquiry committee, the Secretary must, as soon as practicable, notify the complainant of the decision by prepaid registered post.”.

12(2) In the proposed section 18(1A), by deleting “17D(3)” and substituting “17D(3A) or 17E(1)”.

12(6) By adding “or 17E(2)” after “section 17D(4)”.

16 By adding before subclause (1)—
 “(1A) Schedule 1, heading—
Repeal
“and its Members”
Substitute
“, its Members and Assessors”.”.

16(3) In the proposed section 2C(1)(d), by adding “or 3D(2)” after “3A(1)(b)”.

16(3) By deleting the proposed section 2E(1)(d) and substituting—
 “(d) (if the assessor is appointed under section 17A(2) or 17B(2) being a registered veterinary surgeon or

a person of a category under section 17A(3)) the assessor ceases to be a registered veterinary surgeon or a person of that category;”.

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By deleting “17D(3)” and substituting “17D(3A)”.