

## DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

### Department of Agriculture and Forestry Board of Veterinary Medicine

Continuing Veterinary Education  
(LAC 46:LXXXV.405, 811, and 1227)

The Louisiana Board of Veterinary Medicine (LBVM) has exercised the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, specifically R.S.49:953(B), to adopt an emergency rule which will add language to §405, §811, and §1227. The added language in these sections will allow the board to temporarily expand the manner in which continuing education units may be obtained related to the renewal and reinstatement of licenses to practice veterinary medicine, the certifications of registered veterinary technicians and certified animal euthanasia technicians during the current fiscal year of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

This Rule shall have the force and effect of law on July 12, 2021, and will remain in effect 120 days, unless renewed or until permanent rules are promulgated in accordance with law.

#### Title 46

### PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

#### Part LXXXV. Veterinarians

#### Chapter 4. Continuing Veterinary Education

#### §405. Exceptions and Exemptions

A. - C.3. ...

D. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, the limitation of a maximum of 10 hours credit per fiscal year of approved videotaped, self-test programs with third party grading and/or self-help instruction, including online instruction with third-party grading per fiscal year as provided for in §403.A.2 of this Part shall not apply. All other requirements for license renewal are unaffected by the provisions of this subsection, including applying for license renewal and the payment of the annual renewal fee. This extension is available without requirements of petition to the board, the showing of necessitous circumstances, or the payment of late renewal fees or fines.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S.37:1518.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 16:224 (March 1990), amended LR 19:1428 (November 1993), LR 23:1147 (September 1997), LR 1478 (August 2003), LR 33:649 (April 2007), repromulgated LR 33:848 (May 2007), amended LR 38:1592 (July 2012), LR 47:

#### Chapter 8. Registered Veterinary Technicians

#### §811. Certificate Renewal, Late Charge, Continuing Education

A. - E.2. ...

3. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, the limitation of a maximum of five hours of videotaped, self-test programs with third party grading, and/or self-help instruction, including online instruction with third party grading per fiscal year as provided for in §811.D.3 shall not apply. All other requirements for certificate renewal are unaffected by the provisions of this subsection, including the completion of the

re-registration form and payment of the annual renewal fee. This extension is available without requirements of petition to the board, the showing of necessitous circumstances, or the payment of a late renewal fee.

F. - G. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S.37:1549.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 16:227 (March 1990), amended LR 23:1686 (December 1997), LR 26:84 (January 2000), LR 36:320 (February 2010), LR 37:1153 (April 2011), LR 47:

#### Chapter 12. Certified Animal Euthanasia Technicians

#### §1227. Continuing Education

A. - B.2. ...

3. Notwithstanding any provision in this Chapter to the contrary, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, the limitation of a maximum of three hours of videotaped, self-test programs with third party grading, and/or self-help instruction, including online instruction with third party grading per fiscal year as provided for in §1227.A.3 shall not apply. All other requirements for certificate renewal are unaffected by the provisions of this subsection, including the completion of a re-registration form and payment of the annual renewal fee, plus submitting any other documents required by the board. This extension is available without requirements of petition to the board, the showing of necessitous circumstances, or the payment of a late renewal fee.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S.37:1558.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 26:321 (February 2000), amended LR 36:320 (February 2010), LR 37:1153 (April 2011), amended by the Department of Health, Board of Veterinary Medicine, LR 44:588 (March 2018), LR 47:

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