



ISVMA CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES

ARTICLE II, Section 1 –

Changes the objective of the Association from advancing, "...the well being of veterinarians..." to advancing "...the well being of the veterinary profession..."

ARTICLE IV, Section 1, Subsection E –

This section adds a definition of Life Members and vests in the ISVMA Board of Directors the responsibility for determining qualifications and dues for Life Membership.

ARTICLE IV, Section 1, Subsection F –

This section adds a membership category for Veterinary Technicians and specifies the requirements for membership. Further stipulates that Veterinary Technician members may not vote at Meetings of the Members (i.e. the Annual Meeting) or serve as officers of the Association.

ARTICLE IV, Section 2 –

This section establishes membership types as a subset of membership class.

ARTICLE VII, Section 3, Subsection A –

Includes Veterinary Technician members of the ISVMA Board of Directors in the term limits established for other Board members.

ARTICLE VII, Section 3, Subsection B –

This section gives the ISVMA Board of Directors the authority to extend the term of an elected Board member from a Constituent Region by one year if necessary to have the terms of office staggered within a Region.

ARTICLE IX –

Makes a technical change in the title of the section and requires the ISVMA Executive Committee to certify ballot counts and the results of all elections.

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ARTICLE XII –

Provides for the election of representatives from within the Veterinary Technician membership to serve as members of the ISVMA Board of Directors. The number of Veterinary Technician representatives to the Board shall be determined by membership participation as defined in Board Policy.

The Board Policy that has been discussed by the ISVMA Board of Directors (should the Constitutional Amendment be approved) would allow Veterinary Technicians to have a single, non-voting member on the ISVMA Board of Directors. At such time as the Veterinary Technician Membership exceeds 100 members, the Veterinary Technician Board member will assume voting privileges on the ISVMA Board of Directors. A second voting Board member may be approved at such time as the Veterinary Technician membership exceeds 500 members.