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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Agriculture, Rural Development, and Housing Policy

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to animals; modifying Board of Veterinary Medicine appointment criteria;  
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 156.01, subdivision 1.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 156.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Creation; membership.** There is hereby created a state Board of  
1.7 Veterinary Medicine which shall consist of two public members as defined by section 214.02  
1.8 and five licensed veterinarians appointed by the governor. Each appointee shall be a resident  
1.9 of the state of Minnesota, and the veterinarian members of the board shall have practiced  
1.10 veterinary medicine in this state for at least five years prior to their appointment. In making  
1.11 appointments, the governor shall ensure that each board member resides in a different United  
1.12 States congressional district. Membership terms, compensation of members, removal of  
1.13 members, the filling of membership vacancies, and fiscal year and reporting requirements  
1.14 shall be as provided in sections 214.07 to 214.09. The provision of staff, administrative  
1.15 services and office space; the review and processing of complaints; the setting of board  
1.16 fees; and other provisions relating to board operations shall be as provided in chapter 214.