35.02 BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH.

Subdivision 1. **Members; officers.** The board has seven members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate, three of whom are producers of livestock in the state; one of whom is a member of a federally recognized Tribe located in Minnesota who is experienced in animal husbandry; and three of whom are practicing veterinarians licensed in Minnesota, one of whom specializes in companion animals. To the extent practicable, the governor's appointments must achieve gender and geographic balance among the board membership. The commissioners of agriculture, natural resources, and health, the dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, and the director of the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory of the University of Minnesota may serve as consultants to the board without vote. Appointments to fill unexpired terms must be made from the classes to which the retiring members belong. The board shall elect a president and a vice-president from among its members and a veterinarian licensed in Minnesota who is not a member to be its executive director for a term of one year and until a successor qualifies. The board shall set the duties of the director.

Subd. 2. **Terms; compensation; removal; vacancies.** The membership terms, compensation, removal of members, and filling of vacancies on the board are governed by section 15.0575.

History: *(53-43, 5395) RL s 2155; 1913 c 160 s 1; 1925 c 426 art 16 s 1; 1951 c 713 s 5; 1959 c 23 s 1; 1976 c 134 s 13; 1980 c 467 s 3; 1985 c 265 art 1 s 1; 1999 c 231 s 69; 1Sp2005 c 1 art 1 s 62; 2007 c 19 s 1; 2021 c 28 s 12; 2023 c 43 art 2 s 122*