## **CHAPTER 725**

## (House Bill 1413)

AN ACT concerning

## State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners – Veterinary Education – Continuing Education Requirements

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain limitation on <u>altering</u> the number of hours of annual continuing education that the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners may require as a condition for a license renewal; and generally relating to the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Agriculture Section 2–306(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article – Agriculture

2 - 306.

(a) (1) The Board has the exclusive power to establish and alter the standards of preliminary and professional education and training requirements of applicants for the examination for a license.

(2) The Board may establish an annual [12-hour] continuing education requirement <u>OF AT LEAST 12 HOURS</u> as a condition to any license renewal.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 19, 2009.