

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



**PA 13-230—SB 918**

*Environment Committee*

*Public Health Committee*

**AN ACT CONCERNING DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST  
VETERINARIANS**

**SUMMARY:** This act allows the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine, when determining if a veterinarian acted with negligence, to consider the American Veterinary Medical Association's published standards of care and guidelines, including those for using, distributing, and prescribing prescription drugs. By law, the board can discipline a veterinarian for a number of causes, including cruelty or negligence toward animals or birds.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 1, 2013

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