



MEMORANDUM

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TO Veterinary Medical Board

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SUBJECT **Animal Control - Tranquilizers**

Background:

SB 1162, Chapter 594, becomes effective January 1, 2013. This bill allows animal control officers to carry controlled substances for purposes of tranquilizing animals but imposes some prerequisite requirements. One of the requirements is that the officers undergo "training approved by the Board."

This will require the animal control agencies to identify a training model and submit it to the Board for approval. Ultimately, the Board may choose to consider regulations for such training, but for now just reviewing and approving the training is what the bill requires.

Action Requested:

- 1) No action requested.