

1 **JOINT PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL OF VETERINARY**

2 **MEDICINE**

3 2011 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: John G. Mathis**

6 Senate Sponsor: Dennis E. Stowell

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill provides for the establishment of a veterinary education program offered by
11 Utah State University in partnership with Washington State University.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This bill:

14 ▶ allows Utah State University, with the approval of the State Board of Regents, to
15 enter into a partnership agreement with Washington State University to establish a
16 veterinary education program;

17 ▶ provides that, initially, up to 20 Utah resident students and 10 nonresident students
18 may be accepted each year into a four-year program leading to a doctorate degree in
19 veterinary medicine;

20 ▶ provides that students pursuing a doctoral degree in veterinary medicine complete
21 the first and second years of study at Utah State University and the third and fourth
22 years of study at Washington State University; and

23 ▶ requires the Legislature, subject to future budget constraints, to annually appropriate
24 money to pay for the nonresident portion of tuition for Utah students enrolled at
25 Washington State University under a partnership agreement.

26 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

27 This bill appropriates as an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints,
28 \$1,700,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2011-12.

29 **Other Special Clauses:**

30 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2011.

31 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

32 ENACTS:

33 **53B-18-1301**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



35 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

36 Section 1. Section **53B-18-1301** is enacted to read:

37 **53B-18-1301. Veterinary education program -- Partnership agreement.**

38 (1) With the approval of the State Board of Regents, Utah State University may enter
39 into a partnership agreement with Washington State University to establish a veterinary
40 education program.

41 (2) The partnership agreement may provide that:

42 (a) (i) initially, up to 20 Utah resident students and 10 nonresident students may be
43 accepted each year into a four-year program leading to a doctorate in veterinary medicine; and

44 (ii) if resources become available to expand the doctoral program in veterinary
45 medicine, additional Utah resident students and nonresident students may be accepted into the
46 program; and

47 (b) students accepted into the doctoral program in veterinary medicine pursuant to
48 Subsection (2)(a) complete the first and second years of study at Utah State University and the
49 third and fourth years of study at Washington State University.

50 (3) Subject to future budget constraints, the Legislature shall annually provide an
51 appropriation to pay for the nonresident portion of tuition for Utah students enrolled at
52 Washington State University under a partnership agreement authorized by this section for the
53 third and fourth years of a doctoral program in veterinary medicine.

54 Section 2. **Appropriation.**

55 (1) As an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, there is
56 appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 2011-12, \$1,700,000 to Utah State
57 University for a veterinary education program.

58 (2) Money appropriated in Subsection (1) may be used for personnel costs and other
59 expenses related to offering courses in veterinary education.

60 Section 3. **Effective date.**

61 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2011.