

SENATE No. 1218

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Rebecca L. Rausch

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to non-compete agreements for veterinarians.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Rebecca L. Rausch

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex

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By Ms. Rausch, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1218) of Rebecca L. Rausch for legislation relative to non-compete agreements for veterinarians. Labor and Workforce Development.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to non-compete agreements for veterinarians.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 official edition, is hereby
2 amended by adding the following section:-

3 Section 59B. Any contract or agreement which creates or establishes the terms of a
4 partnership, employment, or any other form of professional relationship with a veterinarian
5 registered to practice veterinary medicine pursuant to section 55 of this chapter, which includes
6 any restriction of the right of such veterinarian to practice veterinary medicine in any geographic
7 area for any period of time after the termination of such partnership, employment or professional
8 relationship shall be void and unenforceable with respect to said restriction; provided, however,
9 that nothing herein shall render void or unenforceable the remaining provisions of any such
10 contract or agreement.