NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Ukraine**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Veterinary drugs, animals, animal feed, animal by-products |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[****X]** **All trading partners** **[ ]****Specific regions or countries:**  |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Law of Ukraine "On veterinary medicine and animal welfare".**Language(s):** Ukrainian. **Number of pages:** 186<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/UKR/21_1298_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Law regulates the following issues:* the welfare of farm animals and the creation of appropriate conditions for their keeping and slaughter;
* registration and circulation of veterinary drugs;
* the use of antimicrobial drugs that will prevent the antibiotic resistance among animals and improve the epizootic situation in Ukraine, and facilitate minimization of the use of antibiotics in animal husbandry.

The law introduces the following:* reduction of the number of veterinary documents, which will simplify doing business in the field of animal husbandry, the issuance of appropriate veterinary documents and prescriptions both in paper and electronic forms;
* introduction of indefinite (perpetual) registration of veterinary medicines;
* simplification of import of live animals into the territory of Ukraine in certain cases;
* application of a risk-based approach to the planning and implementation of state control of livestock facilities;
* increasing responsibility in case of violations of legislation in the field of veterinary medicine and animal welfare;
* development of veterinary practice.
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| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [****X]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** The Law is developed for the purpose of systemic and comprehensive regulation of social relations in the field of animal health and welfare, veterinary practice, production, circulation and use of veterinary drugs, taking into account the international obligations of Ukraine. |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:****[ ]****Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[****X]** **None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[ ]****Yes [ ]****No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**  |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** * Law of Ukraine "On veterinary medicine"
* Law of Ukraine "On animal by-products not intended for human consumption"
* Law of Ukraine "On state control over compliance with legislation on food, feed, animal by-products, animal health and welfare"
* Code of Administrative Offenсes of Ukraine

(available in Ukrainian) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 4 February 2021**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** The Law shall enter into force on the day following the day of its publication and shall be enacted two years after the date of entry into force.Within five years from the date of entry into force of this Law, it is allowed to produce, import into the customs territory of Ukraine and circulation of veterinary drugs registered in accordance with the Law of Ukraine "On Veterinary Medicine", if registration certificates for such veterinary drugs are valid on the date of entry into force of this Law. The use of such veterinary medicinal products is allowed until their expiration date.**[ ]****Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** <http://w1.c1.rada.gov.ua/pls/zweb2/webproc4_1?pf3511=68554> |