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## DIGEST

Heitmeier (SB 73)

Present law provides that euthanasia methods and procedures must conform with recommendations outlined in the report of the American Veterinary Medical Association on Euthanasia.

Proposed law provides an exception to present law by prohibiting euthanasia by carbon monoxide gas chambers on cats and dogs beginning on January 1, 2013 and thereafter.

Proposed law further prohibits euthanasia by intracardiac injection on cats and dogs unless the animal is unconscious or rendered completely unconscious and insensitive to pain through the injection of an anesthetic.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 3:2465(C))

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

#### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the original bill.

1. Changes the effective date of the prohibition on the use of carbon monoxide gas chambers on cats and dogs from January 1, 2015 to January 1, 2013.