## **HOUSE BILL No. 2445**

By Representatives Kiegerl and Hildabrand

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AN ACT concerning the pet animal act; relating to euthanasia; amending K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 47-1718 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 47-1718 is hereby amended to read as follows: 47-1718. (a) No animal shall be euthanized by any animal control officer, licensee, permittee, officer of an animal shelter or officer of a pound by any means, method, agent or device, or in any way, except through the most current, approved euthanasia methods established by the American veterinary medical association panel on euthanasia, except that the use of carbon monoxide chambers for the purpose of euthanasia of dogs and cats shall not be permitted. The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations by December 31, 2015, regarding acceptable methods of euthanasia. Such acceptable methods may be more stringent than those established by the American veterinary medical association.

- (b) This section shall be part of and supplemental to article 17 of chapter 47 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 47-1718 is hereby repealed.
- 19 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.