



## S.B. 50 - EUTHANASIA BY INJECTION

*Ban gas chamber euthanasia*

### FACTS:

- Out of the 57 animal shelters HSU tracks, seven have a gas chamber.
- Utah is one of four states in the U.S. that still uses a gas chamber to euthanize animals.
- EBI takes 3-5 seconds to lose consciousness and 2-4 minutes for death to occur. Gas Chambers can take up to 30 minutes, and some animals survive the terrifying process. The uptake of CO cannot be accurately measured in a shelter setting, especially if more than one animal is inside, the animal is too young, old, ill, injured, or has mental stress or physical abnormality.

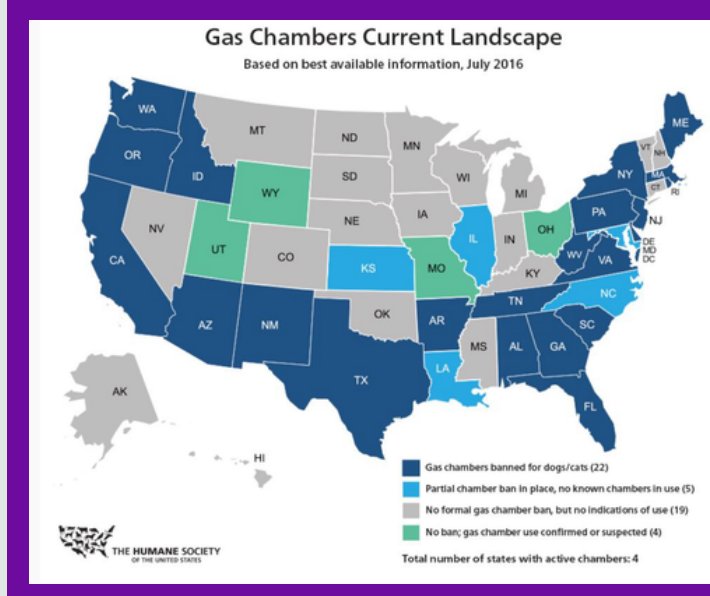
**Euthanasia by injection (EBI) is comparable in cost, faster, painless and safer for personnel than a gas chamber.**

EBI cost per animal	\$2.29
CO cost per animal (2 operators)	\$4.98
CO cost per animal (2 operators) without tranquilizer	\$4.66
CO cost per animal (1 operator)	\$3.09
CO cost per animal (1 operator) without tranquilizer	\$2.77
EBI average time to euthanize	5 minutes
CO total cycle time	50 minutes

Comparing the cost of EBI and gas chambers  
American Humane 2009 research results

EBI is the ONLY PREFERRED method by every major national veterinary and animal welfare organization.

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- Training is available to handle aggressive animals and wildlife.
- A fractious animal can be sedated before handled for EBI.
- Compassion fatigue is lower among workers who use EBI.

