

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0038

Animal euthanasia technicians.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Martin, Bagby, Esquibel  
and Walsh and Senator(s) Cooper and Geis

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to professions and occupations; amending  
2 provisions relating to certified animal euthanasia  
3 technicians; providing a definition; amending fee  
4 provisions; and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8       **Section 1.** W.S. 33-30-216(a) by creating a new  
9 paragraph (i) and by renumbering paragraphs (i) through (v)  
10 as (ii) through (vi), 33-30-219(a)(i), (b)(i) and (d) and  
11 35-7-1010 are amended to read:

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13       **33-30-216. Definitions.**

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15       (a) As used in this act:

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1            (i) "Animal tranquilizer" means any prescription  
2 drug labeled for veterinary use by the manufacturer for the  
3 purpose of immobilizing or sedating an animal to allow  
4 capture or handling and which is not a controlled substance  
5 under the Wyoming Controlled Substances Act;

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7            ~~(i)~~(ii) "Board" means the Wyoming animal  
8 euthanasia technician certification board;

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10           ~~(ii)~~(iii) "Certified animal euthanasia  
11 technician" means a person who is employed or sponsored by  
12 a law enforcement agency whose duties include euthanizing  
13 unwanted, sick, injured or dangerous animals;

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15           ~~(iii)~~(iv) "Euthanasia" or "euthanizing" means  
16 the act or practice of providing a humane death for animals  
17 through the use of euthanizing drugs;

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19           ~~(iv)~~(v) "Euthanizing drugs" means any  
20 pentobarbital-based drug labeled by the manufacturer for  
21 the purpose of euthanizing animals, with the exception of  
22 Schedule I drugs as defined in W.S. 35-7-1013 and  
23 35-7-1014;

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1           ~~(v)~~(vi) "This act" means W.S. 33-30-216 through  
2 33-30-222.

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4           **33-30-219. Certified animal euthanasia technicians;**  
5 **eligibility; surrender or revocation of certificate; fees;**  
6 **other requirements.**

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8           (a) Any person applying for a certification as an  
9 animal euthanasia technician shall be employed or sponsored  
10 by a law enforcement agency. An applicant shall make a  
11 written application to the board which shall include:

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13           (i) A fee in the amount established pursuant to  
14 ~~rules and regulations not to exceed one hundred dollars~~  
15 ~~(\$100.00)~~ W.S. 33-1-201;

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17           (b) A certification issued pursuant to this section  
18 shall be for a two (2) year period unless surrendered by  
19 the certified animal euthanasia technician or revoked or  
20 suspended by the board for cause. The certified animal  
21 euthanasia technician shall renew the certificate every two  
22 (2) years. Application for renewal shall be accompanied by:

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1 (i) A fee in the amount established pursuant to  
2 ~~rules and regulations not to exceed one hundred dollars~~  
3 ~~(\$100.00)~~ W.S. 33-1-201;

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5 (d) In addition to other requirements of this act, a  
6 certified animal euthanasia technician shall register with  
7 the Wyoming board of pharmacy to purchase, possess and  
8 administer euthanizing drugs. Certified animal euthanasia  
9 technicians registered as provided in this section shall be  
10 allowed to purchase, possess and administer animal  
11 tranquilizers. Animal tranquilizers shall only be  
12 administered to animals.

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14 **35-7-1010. Board of pharmacy designated agency to**  
15 **administer registration.**

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17 The Wyoming state board of pharmacy in addition to any  
18 other duties imposed upon it by law is hereby designated as  
19 the agency to administer the registration of the  
20 manufacture, distribution and dispensing of controlled  
21 substances as hereinafter provided in this act. The board  
22 shall register certified animal euthanasia technicians as  
23 provided by W.S. 33-30-219, for the limited purposes of  
24 purchasing, possessing and administering euthanizing drugs

1 as defined by W.S. ~~33-30-216(a)(iv)~~ 33-30-216(a)(v), and  
2 performing the duties and powers of a certified animal  
3 euthanasia technician.

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5 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2006.

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