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A Statewide Organization for the Benefit of Dogs and Dog Owners

November 23, 1998

Douglas P. Yauger, Chief Deputy Attorney General Bureau of Consumer Protection 14th Floor, Strawberry Square,

Harrisburg, Pa. 17120

Re: Proposed Rules and Regulations for Act 27 of 1997, Amendments to the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law for the sale of dogs.

Dear Mr. Yauger,

We wish to address the following concerns in these proposed rules and regulations.

1. 309.1 Definitions.

KENNEL -- Delete the word "breeding". This law includes all of the various types of kennels included in the Dog Law, such as private kennels, pet shop kennels, boarding kennels and dealer kennels. The definition of "kennel" in the Dog Law is "Any establishment wherein dog are kept for the purpose of breeding, hunting, training, renting, research or vivisection, buying, boarding, sale, show or any similar purpose and is so constructed that dogs cannot stray therefrom".

2. 309.2 Notice to be posted

Point 5 This sentence combines two very different points of the law. The second section of this sentence should be included at the end of Points 3 and 4.

Stating: "This section shall not apply if a health certificate issued by a veterinarian was provided by the seller and it disclosed that health problem at the time of sale".

Point 5 -- This should then read:

"Failure to notify the seller within 2 business days of veterinarian's certification of illness will result in forfeiture of rights. The seller may require an examination of the dog by the seller's veterinarian".

We thank you very much for the time that your department has taken to draft these rules and regulations. We hope that you will again do a mailing to all of the state licensed kennels and pet shops informing them of their obligations as many were missed in the one sent out last year and some are ignoring it.

Dotsle Keith, Legislative Chairman

cc: Mr. John Jewett, I.R.R.C.

Senator Stewart Greenleaf, Ch. Senate Judiciary Committee Representative Thomas Gannon, Ch. House Judiciary Committee