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Mary Bender, Director
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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY
REVIEW COMMISSION

Dear Ms. Bender:

In response to the Amendments to curtail puppy mills the Amendment proposed will encourage more puppy mills. A responsible breeder would abide by the rules and puppy mills never have and still won't unless there is stiff penalties for those who break the law. We need more personnel to constantly enforce the law.

I would suggest that you bring in a study group from all avenues of the dog world to sit and come up with a sensible solution.

I agree the laws should be changed and I don't have all the answers. However; what is the logic with dogs not being able to run on grass? Who ever came up with dogs of the same body weight can run together, but not dogs of the same height. What is that all about?

I have had dogs for over 20 years. I had a total of four litters in that time. They were bred in my home with tender loving care. They were socialized, bathed almost weekly, had two of the three recommend shots before leaving my home. No puppy left before the age of 12 weeks. They did run on grass as well as cement. What about dog shows that are outdoors in the summer? I have to inform you people they are shown on grass!

Dog showing is a big business and employs many people. It is a huge money maker in many areas. Laws should be for the well being of the animals.

I feel the Amendments proposed will enhance illegal and dreadful outcome to the animals.

Your consideration in the above would be most appreciated by the animals and me.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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