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To

Arthur Coccodrilli

I recently received this letter from American Canine Ass., Inc...
I am writing to you to tell you I support you and Governor Rendell's legislative attempt to rewrite the Department of Agriculture Dog Law Regulations. I also believe we should have a certification/licensing of some sort for Groomers/Boarding Kennel owners, breeders, etc. Way too many deaths and injuries have occurred because of half wits getting into this business and unprofessional, uneducated people.

I am out in the Industry doing Lectures to the Animal Industry to clean up their acts in every area in a National Manner. I am a pet resort owner but an educated right pet resort owner with an educated staff. I would be happy to talk with you about the detail of our educational program. We see 130,000 pet visits a year at my company. WE have been here for 20 years...no deaths, no injuries, no lawsuits.....we work hand in hand with the veterinarian industry.

I want you to know that if I could help in any way promote this Action in your behalf I am available to assist you.

I have enclosed a copy of my brochure.

I care about the animals and their care this is a long time coming

Sincerely,

Carol Boerio Croft
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Independent Regulatory Review Commission
Attn: Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman
333 Market Street, 14th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

January 22, 2007

Dear Chairman Coccodrilli,

I am writing in response to the Dog Law Act 225 that was issued on December 16, 2006, of which I have several disagreements. The regulatory proposals in general are very difficult and costly to enforce, extremely onerous, and not feasible when put in to practice.

The new proposal only permits a licensed kennel to buy from another licensed kennel. This is fraud for the following reasons:

1. Unless the kennel has purchased, sold, or transferred more than 26 dogs in a calendar year to the individual, it is impossible for the kennel to know if the individual is required to have a Pennsylvania kennel license.
2. It is unlawful for the department to regulate and inspect kennels outside of Pennsylvania.
3. The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Dog Law Enforcement Bureau already requires the name, address, acquisition date, disposition date, type of sale, breed, sex, color, whelping date, and identification number be recorded for each and every dog sold, transferred, adopted, or given away. If the Department wishes to enforce the law, they already have all information needed.

The proposals referencing to housing and social interaction of dogs of different sizes are contrary to good husbandry, socializing and training practices. Moreover, there is no scientific or accepted husbandry basis for the amended space and exercise requirements.

The current proposal claims to be a general list of ideas to improve the breeding environment for dogs, which are neither substantiated by science nor attributed as accepted canine husbandry practices. A better idea would be for Pennsylvania to adopt USDA type standards.

I sincerely request that this proposal be withdrawn.

Yours Sincerely,

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