## Bender, Mary

From:slchapman@sherwin.comSent:Wednesday, January 31, 2007 9:53 AMTo:mabender@state.pa.usSubject:Alleged proposed kennel regulations

Ms. Bender,

I have been involved in the raising and training of sporting breeds for more than 30 years. These dogs, those that have belonged to my family and those that are boarded with us for training and competition purposes, are important individuals that are nurtured and developed to the best of each dogs abilities. We've had numerous AKC field champions and even more valued hunting companions developed at our kennel over the years. The bond between a sporting dog and his or her sportsman or woman is something special.

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I was recently forwarded a copy of an article describing a revision of the PA dog laws that would eradicate this valued American pastime and impose ridiculous and arbitrary requirements on boarding and training kennels in the State. I sincerely hope this is one of those "internet" rumors that have no bearing in reality. Because if what I've read is true, this it the most destructive legislature I've ever seen. The lunatics will clearly be running the show if this is allowed to become law. While our kennel is in Ohio (thank God for that!), we have a number of valued friends and clients who reside in PA and would be impacted by this travesty of a law.

Please, if this proposed regulation is real, be a voice for common sense. Please don't allow the radicals with PETA to rule the day. Balance concern for our loyal canines with a hearty dose of common sense and do not allow this proposal to pass into law as written.

Thank you for your time.

Regards, Sandra L. Chapman Smoke Rise Kennel

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