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Pennsylvania, very sadly is known as the "puppy mill capital of the east". For years Pennsylvania residents have called upon their legislators and regulators to clean up the cruel puppy mills that brutalize dogs and tarnish the state's image.

Last December, changes were suggested to improve the outdated kennel regulations used to inspect commercial breeding operations in Pennsylvania. If the proposed regulations are approved, dogs in Pennsylvania puppy mills will be provided more space, better protection from the elements and will have time outside of their cages for exercise. Please make your voice heard in support of this legislation.

It is my strong hope that one day puppy mills will not exist and that Pennsylvania will be a leader in demanding this respect for dignified animal life. But if we must take small steps toward, then now is the time for Pennsylvanians to shape the future of puppy mills.

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Sincerely,

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