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Attn: Ms. Mary Bender
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Dear Ms. Bender,

I am beginning to feel like am the last person to hear about the changes being propose on the dog laws in Pennsylvania. But now that I have had a chance to check things out a bit I do have some questions

Why is it that when it seems to be common knowledge that the Dept of Dog Law has admitted it has been a bit lax in enforcing the present regulations quite as well as they should have been, why is the remedy for that to make EVEN MORE rules?

Additionally, many of the new regulations, if I'm reading them right...and I've been trying to read them as carefully as I can...frankly seem like they will be quite hard if not down right impossible to enforce.

I don't know whose idea it was to try to fix one problem (puppy mills?) by destroying a good thing (many of the good dog show breeders). This will not only hurt the dog show people but how sad for all the people who enjoy going to the many dog shows in the eastern part of PA. It's sad because I can't follow how these new regulations will be helping the problems that needed fixing!! If the good breeders leave the state, the puppy mills will get MORE business!

Therefore, I must agree with the people who feel this whole idea be canceled and then perhaps you could focus on the problem of the many pet store puppies that end up in SPCA shelters. From what I read, the pet store aren't even affected by these new laws.

Sincerely,

Paul Weaver