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Dear Ms. Bender:

I live in northeastern Pa. I have been breeding boxers in my home for ten years. My puppies are born in my kitchen and raised there with 24 hour care. If you raise them correct puppies take 24 hr day care. This is not something I do not fight. At this time I have six boxers my dogs are part of the family and even if they are not breeding anymore they are kept here and loved till nature takes them home. . As I said they are my family. My husband makes fun of me and tells me I take better care of them then I do of him.

*I understand that there are many so called kennels out there that treat there animals badly. And they are the ones we need the changes for.*

But why attack us who love our breeds and make sure they go to loving homes. I keep in touch with all my puppies over the year. The people I sell my puppies from come from all over. Many even come from out of state. They are all on waiting list. I make sure that they now about the breed and our upfront with them about this breed. Some people seem to buy a puppy and don't now what this breed is all about. That is why then you get bad dogs out there. There are not bad dog just bad owners.

*As I understand it that with some of these new rules someone like me will not be able to comply with some of the regulations. This is not far to us who do everything right.*

As for the kennel size I see the point there with many out there that look like crates. But that can very too. As my self I have outdoor kennels too. But with a 100 acre farm each one of my dogs get turns spending half the day running free. So a kennel size does not really matter concerning exercise. Some of my dogs when left out to run. Run around for ten min and head back in there kennel by them selves they are done. So setting a time for them to exercise is a waste of time. Each breed and each dog varies.

*As for record keeping requirements really there is no purpose because people will just lie about how long they let them run. But it might benefit in knowing how many puppies the kennel has. .*

As I said my dogs from there birth are socialized they are picked up and cuddled. As for the older dogs they are all taken for car rides and events. Each breeder have there own ideas of what there dog need. It is impossible for you to make rules for all breeds because each breed has there own needs. I understand the animal right people want every dog to live in a house with ac and heat a nice bed but some of our breeds out there are not breed for that purpose.

*I think that instead of spending money on new committees why not take that money and enforce the rules we have now and get more dog wardens out there to check on abused and neglected animals. The current proposal appears to be merely a list of ideas for improving the environment of the animal and nothing to do the welfare of the dogs and cats out there now. Please help in withdrawing the proposal.*

I want to make a note pretty soon we will have rules and regulations on how we also breed and have to take care our horse. Cows, pigs, chickens, and so on.

So again please for the sake of us out here that show and are in all different clubs with our dogs. Put a stop to this purposely. And lets find another way of helping the animals that are our there being abused.

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