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Attn: Mary Bender,

I as an owner operator of a grooming shop oppose some of the restrictions the state of Pa. is trying to impose on us.

1: Is that the dogs that are there to be groomed are only there for about 2-3 hours at a time. They do not need to be exercised for 20 minutes of that time while they are there to be groomed.

Also my home dogs get more exercise by running together in the yard all day. So they definitely do not need to be hand walked for 20 min. a day. Take into consideration the toy breeds and the harsh weather they would have to endure for the owners of these dogs to comply with the new regulations! It could be actually more hazardous for them than letting the dogs play in playroom area.

2: Dogs left to be groomed for a couple hours do not need the space the state is requiring. The crates that are used are big enough for the pet to lie down or stand up and turn around in all comfortably.

3: The paperwork that the state is proposing is ridiculous. First of all I am not keeping the animals for any length of time to require all the paperwork necessary to comply with these regulations.

As far as if I as a breeder wanted to purchase a puppy from a private person who only had 1 litter and did not have to have a license I should be able to do so!!!!! That puppy could be an outstanding representative of its breed and an asset to my breeding program!!!!

Please reconsider these requirements that the state is trying to impose!!! They are going to negatively impact our better small breeders, who strive to better their respective breeds and truly care about the animals in their care.

Sincerely, Kathy R. VanBrackle Canine Clips by Kathy 1088 Taylorsville Rd. Washington Crossing Pa. 18977

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