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Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement
Attn: Ms. Mary Bender
Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture
2301 North Cameron Street
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Dear Ms. Bender,

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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY
REVIEW COMMISSION

I wish to express my concerns regarding the proposed amendments to the Pennsylvania dog law regulations issued on December 16, 2006.

I consider myself a responsible dog owner who has owned, trained, hunted and engaged in various American Kennel Club activities for many years.

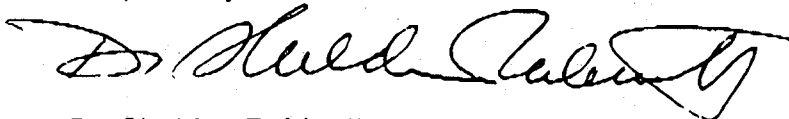
I am deeply troubled by the possibility that the various proposals would place undue hardships on the legitimate conscientious dog owners. There is no reason or basis for rigid and arbitrary dictums such as unnecessary licensing, over burdening record keeping and paper work, uncalled for regulatory oversight and inspections, engineering specifications regarding crate, kennel dimensions and construction. Any attempt to regulate socialization and exercise of our animals is beyond belief. This is not the province of a bureaucratic governmental organization.

There are enough laws to cover those unscrupulous miscreants that do not abide by the law and who mistreat their dogs. Do not create an environment that is un-enforceable, and could be financially disastrous to the law-abiding individuals and to the state and local governments.

Do not put the smaller breeders and hobbyists in the same category as the commercial enterprises. Do enforce the existing laws before adding "insult to injury". Do not create a "dog Gestapo".

Creating more odious, difficult to enforce laws has the potential for criminalizing those that do not warrant such treatment and makes a mockery of all laws!

Respectfully Submitted;



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CC: Senator Mary Jo White
Representative Fred McIlhattan