

FEB 26 REC'D

To: Honorable Mike Carroll

To: Bureau Of Dog Law Enforcement, Pa Dept Of  
Agriculture, Attn: Ms Mary Bender.

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY  
REVIEW COMMISSION

I am writing to voice my personal objections to the recent proposals to the Dog Law Act 225. I am a voting resident of the commonwealth.

I use Trifecta Kennels, located in Gilbert, Pa, and have been very happy with their facility, and with the care they provide my beloved pets. I have been a customer of this facility for 17 years

Now, I hear, that the kennel may close if these proposals become law. Or if they stay open, the boarding fees will be prohibitive.

The kennel as it is now, is spacious. I'm satisfied with its size. My dogs are excited/happy to arrive at the kennel, and they are clean, and in good shape when I pick them up. I like the personal care I get at this kennel. They know me and they know my dogs. I fear the loss of this individual attention if the proposals are accepted. Perhaps, the staff will be busy with the required time consuming record keeping. Perhaps, the kennel will hire more employees, who do not know my dogs, or me, but they can keep the required records. I know with certainty that I trust the staff at Trifecta. We are on a first name basis, and I like it that way.

As for the renovations necessary to make Trifecta be in compliance with the proposed changes I have to ask: Why are the owners being forced to fix something that is not

broken? Their kennel sizes have been fine for as long as I've used them. Now, it seems there is an urgency to remodel the kennels, and give the dogs more room. Who decided they needed more room? On what criteria was it decided that existing, and licensed boarding facilities needed to update?

I know that the decision to revamp the dog law was motivated by a desire to seek better care for our animals in our commonwealth. That kind of goal is an admirable one. But the result of such efforts should not be to place a difficult burden on licensed facilities already in existence in the commonwealth, especially facilities that have a history of yearly passed inspections by the department of agriculture.

I truly trust this kennel with the care of my dog. I inspect it each and every time I use it. Who knows what's best for my dogs, the state or me?

To sun up: I vigorously object to the proposed dog law act 225, which was issued on Dec 16 2006.

Very Truly Yours:

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