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Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement
Pennsylvania Dept. of Agriculture
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Attn: Ms. Mary Bender

March 3, 2007

Dear Ms. Bender,

I feel that the Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement will be doing a grave injustice to the many reputable pure-bred dog breeders in both PA as well as other states if these proposed regulation changes go through.

To try to draw up laws that will include all aspects of breeding, from the small hobby/show breeder to the large commercial operation in one neat package, is not a good idea. In fact it's a very bad idea. And once PA does it, it will give the animal rights groups the empowerment they desire to take their fight against ALL BREEDERS to other states and other battles.

Soon only back-yard unlicensed dog owners will be the ones supplying the many pet stores and the ones with all the "Dog for Sale" ads in the local newspapers. That will be the beginning of the end of quality dog breeding in our state.

I'm sure this was not the intent of the original plan (At least I hope it wasn't)

But I think poor judgment and poor information has brought this issue to a place to which it never should have gotten. Now it's going to be a lot harder to "make corrections" than it would have been to do it right in the first place. That's what happens when lawyers try to draw up rules about subject they know nothing about.

I don't know what the answers are, but I do know these new regulations are not good for the people or dogs in the state of PA.

Your truly,

