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Attn: Ms. Mary Bender

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Dear Ms. Bender:

I am a vet tech student who comes in contact with pets every day who have been purchased at any one of the many "puppy mills" in our area and I agree that there should be action taken against puppy breeders who raise dogs in poor living conditions.

But I don't think that putting rules into practice that will treat both large and small breeders as well as boarding kennels as if they were all the same is going to help the dogs that are in need of help. I've had a chance to read quite a bit on various web sites and I must agree with much of what I've read. In all due respect, the Dept is going about this in the wrong manner. Better enforcement is probably the first thing to change before changing the existing law. Doing that might solve care of many of the problems that have been allowed to continue for too long.

Maybe there is some room for stricter laws on the large puppy mills, plus I am very much against puppies and kittens being sold in pet stores, but that's all the changes that need to be made until it is proven that new laws are actually needed.

Sincerely,

Sherry S. Roth-Eyre

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