

**Bender, Mary**

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**To:** Mary Bender  
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Mary Bender  
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Dear Mary Bender:

These new kennel regulations cannot be applied for raising hounds as a hunting pack. They are kept in a group. Bitches are separated when in heat or when whelping. Puppies are kept together separated from mature dogs until the age of 12 to 15 months. Raising hounds as a pack require different kennel regulations then raising individual dogs to sell for profit. The life of a hound is the best life a dog can have because he gets to live the life of a wolf 2 to 3 times a week, free and hunting as a pack. He will catch weak and sick animals which is the right way to hunt, close to nature as ever a dog can be. If you support this legislation, many hunting packs in Pennsylvania (which are by the way non profit organization) will not be able to design their kennels to these new regulations.

Sincerely,

Sophie Laporte

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