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Message = I support the regulatory changes to the commercial dog regulations submitted by the Coalition Against Misery. The draft regulations that were recently released by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture do not adequately address the issues of temperature control, cage conditions and humane breeding practices.

Every kennel must be required to have a visible, safe source of heat and air-conditioning. Additionally, the regulations should limit the number of dogs that can be kept in one cage. And finally, we ask that you include breeding regulations consistent with those established by reputable breed clubs.

Please take steps to ensure that the new regulations provide humane conditions for the dogs.

I have seen first hand the horrible conditions of these puppy mills and in particular the Amish ones. The puppies coming from them are pathetic little excuses for dogs. Poorly socialized, sickly, many stunted from being in kennels too much...the females are bred to death. Please, you can speak for the animals who can not. Stop the puppy mills. Make them accountable for every dog, adequate and clean living conditions and manageable numbers of litters.

Thank you