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Message = As a rescuer who saves dogs by transporting them to places where they have a chance at a good life, I am sickened by the living conditions of dogs in puppy mills. Although these dogs deserve a home where they can be members of a family, as they were meant to be, it is at least a start to raise their environment to a level above torture.

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.

Thank you