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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.

This is the time to really make a significant and positive change in our society. By passing this legislation and ensuring that it is enforced, we will create a more humane world for our companion animals.

Didn't that sage of non-violence Mahatma Gandhi say: "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated"?

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

Thank you,  
Jeanna Hensler