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It took a very long time to get protection for those unfortunate dogs kept in wire cages, under deplorable conditions due to the lack of regulations that prevent this cruelty. If any member of the House or Senate were to personally see the conditions under which these poor creatures are kept I doubt that there would be many who could sleep at night. How horrible that Pennsylvania should be known as one of the worst states in the nation for Puppy Mills.

Citizens of our Commonwealth are dismayed by the recent actions of the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Russell Redding, to take a law that went into effect in Oct of 2008 and re-write it! State Rep James E. Casorio Jr has stated that the policies and regulations recently instituted by the PA Dept of Agriculture are undermining the 2008 Dog Law. Why would the Dept of Agriculture take this action? Under advisement? By whom, irreputable breeders? That is my guess and I am outraged! Reputable breeders are already providing a good standard of care for their dogs. The regulations set forth in Act 119 signed into law by Govenor Rendell in 2008 are needed for those who are not.

I still have faith that our representatives do just that, represent us, the citizens of Pennsylvania. Please take steps to see that this important legislation stands as it was written and signed by Governor Rendell in 2008.

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