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I am very disturbed to hear that Act 119, which was to assure very minimum care standards for breeding dogs (or puppy mills in this case), is now being ignored by you. It does no good to pass laws that are then bartered away. What if our ADA laws, instead of requiring ramps and handrails, allowed the owners of buildings to carry handicapped persons in and out of buildings instead? This is ridiculous and would never happen. But we are to believe that persons who raise dogs will do this. And this is persons who have done a very poor job of raising dogs and thereby caused such laws to be written. Dogs should not represent only dollars.

And if you personally think standing on wire all the time is not a problem, maybe you should try it for a day. You would probably be crying within the hour. Dogs can't wear shoes like you do.

It sickens me when our government officials, who are there to represent the interest in this case of GOOD agricultural practices, become the whores of the businesses involved rather than serving the public interest. We need government to force businesses to act civil rather than basing their practices solely on profit. Most people would NOT approve of treating dogs this way, which is why Act 119 was passed in the first place.

Someone needs to reassess this situation and enforce Act 119. It is the law. Otherwise you may as well resign because you are stealing from the public by not doing your job.

Furthermore, anyone who picks on small animals is just plain disgusting. I have also written the Governor since he is ultimately in charge.

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