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To whom it may concern:

I was reading an HSUS release last night about the governor of New Hampshire supporting shelter adoption and he spoke of the cost to taxpayers of supporting these shelters and the dogs they take in.

IRRC should understand that this IS a tax issue - not the loss of revenue for farmers like the PVMA is so terribly concerned about - but for the taxpayers who spend countless thousands, along with rescues and shelters, to care for the sick and injured survivors of these torture chambers (PA's puppy mills).

I ask that you pass the proposed regulations at this time. It is time we start to place the needs of the dogs, and the burden to our shelters and rescues, above the selfish desires of the commercial breeders of this state.

Shelters, sporting kennels, boarding facilities all rely on proper ventilation and lighting to maintain the health of their dogs. Why is it so difficult for the breeding kennels (who are the only kennels making huge profits) finding it hard to make these improvements?

And there should not be any alternative to slatted or solid flooring - AND the flooring should be made of a material that will not hold the heat or cold. Forcing dogs to stand on skillet-hot flooring or freezing metal is cruel. This must be included in the regs.

Thank you,

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