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Pennsylvania Canine Health Board -

In the spirit of Act 119 and the power it grants to the Canine Health Board, I wish to voice my support of the CHB's recommended regulations pertaining to lighting, temperature control, ventilation, control of humidity and ammonia levels and exercise. The regulation of each of these environmental factors will significantly impact the health and welfare of the breeder dogs kept in Pennsylvania's large scale commercial breeding facilities in a positive way and serves to finalize the Act and the work of the General Assembly.

Please do not further delay the relief the dogs have waited so long to receive, and expedite the passage of these regulations as soon as possible.

Additionally, please ensure these regulations, once enacted, are actually enforced. Laws are meaningless without strict enforcement. It would be a disservice to these defenseless dogs not to protect them to the fullest extent of the law.

Sincerely,

Amy Bucher