

To Whom It Concerns,

I am writing in support of HB 2804, which aims to eliminate "puppy mills." The pet stores that utilize these mills are solely motivated by profit, which is made evident by the lack of health and well-being of puppies sold in stores. I have also read about the use of female dogs, always impregnated and confined to crates, while they produce more puppies to be sold.

I am thoroughly upset by this inhumane practice. Many dogs and litters of puppies fill animal shelters and are in great need of adoption. Often these animals are euthanized because shelters can't keep them indefinitely. Here is where people should purchase pets, not inhumane puppy mills.

Sincerely,

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