<u>House Bill 2804</u> would prohibit a retail pet store from selling dogs, cats or rabbits unless they come from qualified shelters and rescues. Please support this bill. Animals are not commodities to sell in stores like furniture or clothing. Animals bought from breeders for retail sales come from inhumane, unregulated backyard breeders where animals suffer in filthy cages, without socialization or veterinary care. The animals forced to breed and give birth are nothing but money making machines to the breeders, many are kept in isolation and their sole purpose is to reproduce.

The breeders that provide dogs/cats for pet stores are NOT the "responsible breeders" they claim to be.

Please support HB 2804.

With so many animals in shelters, there is absolutely no excuse for selling animals in stores.

Thank you Andrea Kozil