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A majority of puppies sold in retail pet stores are born in puppy mills: inhumane spaces where they are often exposed to disease, not given adequate veterinary attention, and spend their days in cramped, dirty spaces

By not allowing cats and dogs to be sold in retail pet stores, more people may be encouraged to adopt animals from shelters who are in need of homes, or seek pets via other more humane methods

Currently, the ASPCA estimates that approximately 6.3 million companion animals enter U.S. animal shelters nationwide every year. Of those, approximately 3.1 million are dogs and 3.2 million are cats. This bill could ensure that more of these animals find good homes.