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To: [Puppy Farming](#)
Subject: Comments on proposed pup farming legislation
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To the relevant compiler of information on this proposed legislation,

I understand that there is much emotion on this subject but urge the decision makers to look for reason rather than conform to over-reaction. Please see my submission attached.

I urge the decision makers to consider that the emotional responses of puppy farming and poor conditions of animals being bred for money should not negatively impact registered breeders with ANKC bodies. We should be pushing puppy buyers to these breeders, not passing legislation that makes it harder for them to operate.

Please focus on actions that will make it harder for unregistered breeders to find a market for their farmed puppies, without impacting on owners with no intention to breed.

I used to be a registered breeder many years ago. I no longer breed but have aligned with another breeder. I own a couple of their dogs and I show them, for which they must be unsterilised. By showing these dogs I assist the registered breeder as judges from all over the world comment on the dog which provides information the breeder can use in future breeding programs to further improve the dogs. My dogs may not be used for breeding, but in the show-ring they can help to guide the future breeding programs of that breed. It is also possible that the breeder will lease the dog back off of me to participate in a breeding program.

Most registered breeders are looking to improve all areas of their dogs, including health. Puppy farmers do not care as soon as someone pays the money and walks away with the pup. Supporting registered breeders helps to provide families with a dog of known background and sound health.

Thank you for the opportunity to state my opinion.

Regards,

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