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Agency: TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: We strongly OPPOSE the recommendation to abolish the Licensed Breeder Program. We wonder how many animals need to be bred by abusive "backyard" breeders before the legislature says enough and takes all possible steps to stop them? The Licensed Breeder Program is there to protect as many animals as possible who through no fault of their own are mistreated by unscrupulous people who in the past have not been held accountable. For those of you making this decision please remember that those of us opposing this recommendation do so as advocates for creatures who have no voice of their own. PLEASE OPPOSE. Thank you for your time.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: If it were possible, we would hope for very stiff penalties given to those individuals who did not meet the minimum criteria of the current program of the State of Texas who were caught breeding animals for sale. The more egregious the conditions their animals were found in the tougher the penalty. We have been heartbroken at the parade of news stories about what some Texans have put the animals in their care through to make a buck. In other words a tougher version of the current legislation. Thank you!

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree