From: Sunset Advisory Commission

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Agency: TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION

First Name: Kathleen

Last Name: Elder

Title: Ms

Organization you are affiliated with: Houston Cares Animal Rescue

Email:

City: Houston

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I absolutely OPPOSE any recommendation to abolish the Licensed Breeder registration & enforcement program.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

For Texas to MANDATE Spay & neuter of all dogs & cats.

Severely increase fines & penalties for abuse, neglect & Abandonment & chaining of dogs, dog fighting promotion/participation.

Get input from Texas Humane Legislative Network.org , Rescue Groups & Harris County Animal Cruelty Taskforce Force, BARC & HCAS on Minimum regulations necessary.

DO partner with Respected Shelters, Humane & Rescue groups to be the eyes, ears & educators of the public. No Hoarders & The very few BAD Rescues-

The Only exceptions would be reviewing/ approving contractual agreements with Professional AKC-licensed breeders (no mixed breed " Designer

Dogs") for limited breeding & sale or spay/neuter of 1 litter per year. (I do believe there is value in Limited purebred animals from Professional/ Show Breeders).

PROHIBIT PUPPY MILLS & Backyard Breeders we're seeIng in increased numbers in Texas (as bad as the Midwest ...)

Propose, Promote Federal Protections & interstate selling of animals with Congressional Reps/Senators.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree