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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

It is imperative for the safety of companion animals and Texas families to keep the Texas Licensed Breeders Program intact. This program, which was approved in 2011 by a bi-partisan body, ensures that breeders with histories of animal cruelty are not able to apply for licenses to breed animals.

This program also limits potential animal cruelty from happening in our state by keeping breeders in check - without this program breeders would be able to set up large scale operations that create potential health risks for companion animals and also places a burden on taxpayers when large scale seizures are performed by state or local authorities.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: A recommendation to improve the program includes lowering the breeding female requirement from eleven to five - this would align the state of Texas with federal guidelines, creating much-needed efficiency.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree