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To: Sunset Advisory Commission
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

First Name: Jo

Last Name: Guthrie

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with: Licensed Dog Breeder

Email:

City: Canton

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I think the Licensed Breeder should be done away with. USDA licensing covers most of the larger scale breeders, all those selling to brokers or shipping already so it is double licensed. The program is expensive to regulate. I have seen those who are below standard are just forced underground or into hiding, while those who were licensed, were already doing a good job. The major problems have been animal hoarders and fake rescues who flip dogs which have never been regulated anyway. There are more unlicensed breeders, rescues and dog flippers in Texas than there are licensed breeders. I see the program doing nothing for breeders or potential puppy buyers. It is just a burden on TDLR. The cost outweighs the good.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Those who require USDA license let usda cover it. Those who do not ship and do not supply pet shops, who do face to face sells let the public be the inspector. I believe those who have been licensed the past 6/7 years will continue to operate in a safe and legal manner.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree