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Agency: TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I strongly oppose the recommendation to abolish the Licensed Breeders Program. As a veterinary professional, we see sick puppies and kittens come in on a daily basis with not only deadly but communicable (to other pets) diseases that would be prevented by the routine veterinary care that would be provided by responsible breeders, but is not by "backyard" breeders just looking to make a buck off their pets. I have seen firsthand the multiplied misery of improperly cared for and unwanted ("not the pick of the litter") animals. We do not need more of them. Allowing unregulated breeding will only make things worse.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Stay strong on regulations. Post public notices with information to report abuses in public areas. Most people really do care but don't know what to do or if there is anything they can do, when they see something wrong.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree