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Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

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

Please do not gut the program in place that prevents unregulated puppy mills in TX! I rescued my dog from a puppy mill when she was 8 weeks old. She has a condition known as walleye as well as liver disease. When I got her she was full of fleas and worms. She was kept in a cage big enough for 2-3 Shih Tzu puppies however the cage had her AND all of her siblings in it, about 6 puppies total. The first few months of her new life with me she ate her poop due to being malnourished.

My mother in Flower Mound also has experience with a puppy mill dog. Her dog went blind due to the conditions he was forced to live in. He has problems with his knees not staying in place and will need major surgery to correct. He is aggressive towards other dogs because he grew up having to protect what was his. He had parasites that had to be treated.

Please rethink what you are doing! Think about how bad puppy mills are already and what's going to happen if they go unregulated? You wouldn't want those conditions for your pets so why allow them for other animals who are defenseless and innocent?

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Keep the program in place, keep funding it. Keep doing right by animals, we have to be their voice!

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree