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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I have reviewed the Staff Report on the role of Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation with the Texas Licensed Breeders Program. I am writing to suggest that the answer to the future of this Program lies in the regulations being made more specific and with an emphasis on the cost savings that occur by preventing cases of animal cruelty and the seizures of large numbers of animals from unlicensed breeders who should be required to be licensed or face a penalty.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

Remove the requirement that has been unenforceable that only those breeders selling twenty puppies/kittens or more be licensed.

Lower the breeding females requirement from 11 to 5 to encompass more breeders that would be licensed and therefore subject to inspections.

Currently most complaints are against breeders who have fewer than 11 adult intact female animals and thus escape the requirement to be licensed.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree