

Federated Humane Societies of Pennsylvania

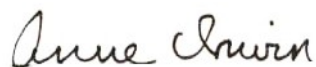
May 12, 2009

Senator Stewart J. Greenleaf, Chairman
Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Main Capitol
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Senator Greenleaf:

I am writing on behalf of the 60 member societies of the Federated Humane Societies of Pennsylvania in support of SB 50 which amends and strengthens the Dog Purchaser Protection Act. The Dog Purchaser Protection Act helps assure good breeding practices for dogs in Pennsylvania by holding sellers accountable for the health of the dogs that they sell. SB 50 is the result of input from the Attorney General's Office, which is charged with enforcing the act, from veterinarians and from many interest groups involved with dogs. The changes strengthen and improve the act and make the language more clear, without putting an undue burden on sellers. We supported a bill containing this language in the last session and we reaffirmed our support at our board of directors meeting on May 6.

Sincerely,



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