



Legislation Text

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Res. No. 1734

Resolution calling on the United States Congress to pass and the President to sign into law the Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act (S.395/H.R.847), which would require commercial breeders who sell their puppies directly to the public, including via the Internet, to be licensed and inspected by the United States Department of Agriculture and mandate that commercial breeding facilities provide dogs with daily exercise.

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Whereas, Currently only breeders who sell dogs to pet stores or to puppy brokers are subject to federal oversight; and

Whereas, United States Senator Richard Durbin and Congressman Jim Gerlach have introduced the Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act (S.395/H.R.847), which would amend the Animal Welfare Act to require commercial breeders who sell their puppies directly to the public via any means of conveyance, including the Internet, to be licensed and inspected by the United States Department of Agriculture; and

Whereas, S.395/H.R.847 would also mandate that commercial breeding facilities provide dogs with daily exercise; and

Whereas, This federal legislation is directed at only large commercial breeding facilities and will not affect small breeders and hobby breeders who sell fewer than fifty dogs per year directly to the public; and

Whereas, S.395/H.R.847 would close a loophole in the Animal Welfare Act that allows thousands of commercial breeders to go unregulated; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls on the United States Congress to pass and the President to sign into law the Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act (S.395/H.R.847), which would require commercial breeders who sell their puppies directly to the public, including via the Internet, to be licensed and

inspected by the United States Department of Agriculture and mandate that commercial breeding facilities provide dogs with daily exercise.

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