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Subject: Regarding Bill 27

I am writing to voice my concern regarding Bill 27.

This is a very dangerous step to take...once taken, it will be impossible to correct.

It seems to me that this bill was written by members of an Animal Rights group...very dangerous on their own, but with government backing, there are no holds barred.

This Amendment to the Animal Protection Act significantly increases the power of the SPCA in areas that are concerning to all animal owners. SPCA officers will be able to, without a warrant or reasonable cause, enter any property, day or night, to inspect animals. They can require that animals be produced from homes and if dissatisfied with the level of care or if concerned with the animals welfare, even with no sign of abuse, they can seize the pet & will be able to perform whatever 'tests' they wish. What tests are involved is not clear.

If you have a kennel or outside living accommodation, garage, etc, they will be able to come onto your property, without notice and inspect the facility, regardless of fencing, or whether or not you are present.

I am greatly concerned by the Province's changes to the current Act.

There are too many items 'lumped' together in this Bill. Dog fighting should be a separate issue. Spaying and neutering have been determined to be not the best choice to young animals and has been proven to be less than beneficial to them.

Please look very carefully at these amendments and try to see how this will have a negative impact on many, many Nova Scotians who are not doing anything wrong.

Sincerely,

Gayle MacLean
Dartmouth home owner and tax payer in your riding.
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