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Subject:

Bill 27

My name is Sue-Ellyn Rempel, I have been involved in Purebred dogs since 1970. I am a licensed All Breed judge and still actively breeding and showing. I have had the pleasure of judging in the Maritimes many times as recently as a few weeks ago. Some of the best breeders in Canada!

I have just read concerns of fellow dog people about Bill 27. I understand that there is reason that the dogs welfare must be considered and not all 'breeders' are good people. Show breeders, are as concerned by puppy mills. I understand there must be laws to protect all animals.

But I am very much against that the humane society would be able to walk in at anytime because someone has lodged a complaint.

I am very concerned that all complaints are even legitimate and I am very concerned that the knowledge and training of these people is adequate.

Have these employees been checked and cleared to enter residents to the level the police would be? Have you considered the lawsuits you may face if property is damaged or items gone missing, or animals have been injured mentally or physically?

How will they treat the very protective house dogs that are running loose? These dogs may be well trained, well socialized and extremely friendly with strangers who are invited into a home.

Have you considered that the employees of the humane society will be going into homes or kennels after being exposed to diseases like Distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus, canine flu, kennel cough, parasites and the list goes on. There may be newborn puppies with little or no immunity. Many of us breeders do not even let family visit let alone strangers who may have been exposed to the above during those times.

Yes there is a need to protect animals living in horrid conditions, being used in puppy mills and neglected but this bill is not the way.

Nor going after good breeders and charging ridiculous licensing and kennel fees. Good breeders never make money! That one litter a year they sell doesn't even come close to covering expenses of vet bills for health testing, housing, fencing and feed. It's a sport!

Consider hiring a longtime CKC member with excellent references to do kennel inspections.

Respectfully
Sue-Ellyn Rempel