

Dear Sen. Meyer, Rep. Gentile, Sen. Chapin, and Rep. Shaban...

I am writing you to urge your support for S.B. 445, **AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE ON THE SALE OF CATS AND DOGS FROM INHUMANE ORIGINS AT CONNECTICUT PET SHOPS.**

*The bill would prohibit the sale of commercially bred dogs in new pet shops as well as phase out the sale of commercially bred dogs in the 16 pet shops that still continue to sell them over five years. The latter would open up the opportunity for them to focus on a more humane method of doing business by promoting the sale/adoption of dogs from public shelters and non-profit rescue organizations. The former was recommended by the bi-partisan CT Task Force Concerning The Sale of Cats and Dogs at Connecticut Pet Shops.*

*I believe passage of this bill would result in a win-win for all involved....the innocent animals, animal control professionals, and the pet shop owners who will most likely have many more animals to rescue and sell to appropriate and loving homes.*

*Thank you for raising this bill, and for the opportunity to submit written testimony.*

*Sincerely,*

*Fred Camillo  
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