

Hello,

I am writing in reference to three animal friendly bills. I am asking that you please support HB 5416 (Section 2) which would ban gestation crates. These crates are slow, horrific torture for pigs who scientists believe have the intelligence of at least a 3 year old human.

They live in a vile environment in cages that prevent them from standing and changing positions. I could go on, but you get the point. We as humans must exercise our humanity and our responsibility for others, animals included, to protect them from the diabolical behavior of humans who are greedy and without conscience.

I also ask you to oppose HB 5080, which would allow Sunday hunting. This is both dangerous to others and in spite of the constant excuse that hunters work all week and children are in school all week and don't get to kill except on Sundays is a sorry excuse. Too many people are at risk of injury and/or death as Sunday is also the day that all the other working people and all the other youngsters are at school. Sunday is still considered a family recreation day for more people who do not hunt - than hunters. It is just too dangerous!

Last, but not least, I ask you to support, but with additional requirements the puppy mill bill.

I would like all new pet shops banned from selling commercially -bred dogs. Also, a phase out plan should be implemented to prevent those pet shops that currently sell animals from doing so in the future.

I thank you in advance for your compassion and for your consideration regarding these bills. Please, animals bring so much to humans, the least we can do is treat them with compassion.

Respectfully,

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