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To Whom It May Concern:

I urge you to pass bill number 445, concerning the sale of dogs and cats in Connecticut pet stores. Virtually all puppies sold at pet stores come from "puppy mills" from other states. The conditions under which these puppies are bred and transported are less than desirable and the result is often puppies arriving at the stores in unhealthy condition. Although it is a challenge to completely stop the practices of "puppy mills", I believe that stopping the sale of puppies and kittens in pet stores will hopefully begin to have a negative impact on businesses that supply the puppies.

Respectfully,

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