

Chair Barker and Members of the Committee:

Dear Chairman Barker and Members of the Committee:

I'm Supporting HB 2804 because I want to stop Animal abuse, neglect and unecessary suffering of puppies, kittens and rabbits sold to pet stores in Oregon.

House Bill 2804 will prohibit retail pet stores from selling dogs, cats and rabbits unless they come from qualified shelters and rescues. Animals are not object's or commodities to sell in stores like furniture, knick-knacks or clothing.

The Animals that are bought from breeders for retail sales come from inhumane, unregulated backyard breeders where animals suffer horrible lives in filthy cages, without any socialization or veterinary care. These Animals are abused and suffer for breeders greed of money at the Animals expense.

The Animals are forced to breed and give birth and are nothing but money making machines to the breeders. No Animal deserves to be mistreated. Many Animals are kept in isolation and their sole purpose is to reproduce.

The breeders that provide dogs, cats and rabbits for pet stores are not responsible breeders.

Please support HB 2804. And be the voice for the voiceless because the Animals need you. There are far to many animals in shelters that need homes, and there is absolutely no excuse for breeding to sell animals in stores.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully

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