

In response to proposed Oregon senate measure 1076:

I am highly opposed to and against this proposal. I have never read anything so ludicrous and I would like to say I have more time to give you all of the reasons why. But the foremost reason is you have absolutely no way to enforce this. I am an AKC professional exhibitor and breeder. I provide care to every living thing I have produced, even after it has been placed in a loving and vetted home. I have and always will provide for everything I have produced if their current owners are unable to care for them. Not one of the hundreds of dogs I have produced over 20 years have ever been placed in a shelter or had to be put down because they had no one to care for them. They do not run the streets. All puppies are placed with clear and legally produced contracts. I participate in a worldwide database for my breed and stay in contact with the owners of the dogs I produce for the lifetime of my dogs. I am never unaware of their condition. I am a preservation breeder and this bill threatens their existence.

Just because someone claims to be a breeder, does not mean they are ethical.

This bill punishes me and other breeders like me who breed responsibly. All you will be doing is producing one more area for the unethical to hide behind. Black marketing will become even more valuable than it is now. I see absolutely not one benefit from this bill that makes any sense.

Sincerely,  
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