To: State Agriculture Committee

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## Dear Senators:

Last year when we had to put the Animal Health Department with the Ag Department, it was to save money. Now you want more money from us breeders. What happened? We sent you to Topeka to cut spending at the state level, not cost us more. Spend within your means like we have to.

Every year our puppy sales create millions of dollars coming into our state plus numerous jobs. Every week we write checks for labor, veterinary services and supplies, dog food and equipment, lumber yards, etc. We deserve to be treated fairly not penalized because we work and create jobs and income. We believe our current fee of \$200 is enough and one premise is one license, that's only fair.

We also believe the governor should appoint the advisory board. We don't need more good 'ole boy croyonism, and all who sit on the board should be licensed by the Pet Animal Act. Either make the above mentioned changes to SB#57 or throw it out and leave us as we were last year.

Sincerely, Lewis & Linda Bloom

Senate Agriculture Committee

Date: 2-6-13

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SB57