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## Attorney Cassone -

Hope this email finds you well. As you may be aware there have been some new pet stores that have opened which has brought up the subject of puppy sales. Members of the Board have been receiving emails from concerned constituents about this issue. I know the Board has been down this path before but have a few questions

- 1. Given the current Connecticut State Law, does the 2019 opinion (state law preempts municipal efforts to prohibit the sale of puppies in pet stores) still stand?
- 2. If yes, what regulations may the BOR permissibly enact related tot the sale of puppies in pet stores?

For example:

- 1. Size of cages
- 2. Breeder practices, e. g. # of animals on a premises, size of cages, time spent outside of cages, feeding, etc.
- 3. Frequency of Veterinary visits.
- 4. # of hours per day outside of the cage
- 5. Feeding practices
- 6. Breeds, etc.

Thanks so much for looking into this it is greatly appreciated and Happy Holidays!

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