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I am writing in opposition to the proposed Bill LD1771.

As a hobby breeder, my dogs are treated as house pets. They are beloved family members that live on our couch and are intermingled in our everyday lives. To treat my home as an “inspectable facility” would be detrimental to comply with.

In addition, my home is not in a zoned area to allow for a commercial facility. It would be a costly and time-consuming effort to work with the town officials to rezone my property.

The proposed Bill does not specifically address the issues of animal welfare that are discovered throughout the state. People that are hoarding animals or allowing animals to live in deplorable conditions are not seeking individual dog licenses nor are they applying for a kennel license. The issues that exist will still persist because these problematic places are not going through the proper legal channels under any laws.