



TO: Senate Agriculture Committee

RE: SB #57

I married into the Professional Pet Breeding Business. My husband and I both worked the kennel FULL TIME, until two years ago when the economy-woes (beginning in 2008) forced cut-backs. Andy now works for the state as a corrections officer at the Norton Correctional Facility. We have not received a raise, or bonus, or any financial awards due to the sluggish markets.

This is the WRONG time to be asking for increased FEES, to this extent. A 25% raise could be expected, but no the proposed fee in SB#57.

Page 12 line 7-10. Please reinstate (f). The Ag department took it upon themselves to make this change in their quest for money. There is a reason for that item being in the law, the same reason as it was in 1991. ONE premises, pays ONE fee, for ONE inspection. They are already charging the ONE person two fees, if they have two premises.

The law was never intended to be FEE FUNDED. The tax paying public let their voices be heard and insisted on this law, therefore State General Funds (taxes) should pick up an equal portion of the bill.

Check out the fees that we are going to be asked to pay against the other types of state businesses. I think this request is extreme. We are supposed to be bringing jobs to Kansas, not limiting them.

Respectfully,

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