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Great Plains SPCA Asks Kansas Lawmakers to Revive SB47

Animal advocates urge state legislators to take swift action *today*

Merriam, KS (March 4, 2017) — Great Plains SPCA joins a multitude of local animal welfare agencies that are urging Kansas lawmakers to move forward with the nuts and bolts of SB47, by attaching it onto another bill today.

This afternoon, the House Agriculture Conference Committee has the chance to move forward with such a legislative action. By advancing the key components of this bill, lawmakers will support the work of animal welfare advocates who have been pushing for inspection changes for nearly six years.

Great Plains SPCA believes SB47 contains critical regulations for breeders and shelters alike; unannounced inspections, noncompliance fees and required USDA kennel veterinary records will ensure animals are properly cared for.

These components do not harm small businesses; rather it prevents those who fail basic inspections and facilities that consistently violate regulations from operating in the animal world.

Currently, Kansas is listed as the third worst state for puppy mills. Great Plains SPCA is hopeful that prompt action will help local shelters and rescues accomplish the shared mission of finding caring homes for pets.

KSB 47 Full Text: <http://bit.ly/2nwVGLR>

About Great Plains SPCA:

Great Plains SPCA is the Kansas City Metro's most comprehensive resource for pets and their human companions, serving more than 35,000 pets annually – more than any other animal welfare agency in the area. Great Plains SPCA, a No Kill shelter, works to save, protect and improve the lives of animals, while strengthening the relationship between pets and their human companions by providing humane sheltering, adoptions, and affordable spay/neuter and veterinary wellness services. Great Plains SPCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and not the ASPCA but a local organization focused on being a society for the prevention of cruelty of animals. For more information, please visit www.GreatPlainsSPCA.org

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