

Vermont May Limit Dog Breeders

Legislation would require permits for dog breeders and cap the number of animals they sell.

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Vermont's State Assembly is considering legislation that would limit the number of litters and dogs that dog breeders can sell in a given 12-month period.

Similar to pending legislation in Rhode Island, the Vermont proposal would restrict breeders of domestic dogs and wolf-hybrids to 20 litters or 100 animals per 12-month period.

The legislation requires any person owning two or more dogs older than 4 months of age for sale or for breeding purposes to obtain a \$10 annual kennel permit. Permits will not be issued or renewed for parties selling more than 20 litters or 100 animals during a 12-month period.

The legislation currently sits with the House Committee on Government Operations where it awaits a public hearing.