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The Honorable Alfred Speer Clerk of the House of Representatives State Capitol Baton Rouge, LA 70802

RE: House Bill No. 1091 by Representative Tom Willmott

Dear Mr. Speer:

House Bill No. 1091 would place a significant burden on our citizens, particularly those who reside in rural areas, while providing questionable benefit to their pets. The bill's broad definition of the criterion by which a dog must be crated has rightly caused concern to Louisiana sportsmen and farmers for being overly broad. Animal cruelty is explicitly prohibited by current law, and I trust that our citizens can care for their pets without the nanny state intervening to dictate how a dog is secured in the bed of a pickup truck.

For these reasons, and as requested by Louisiana Farm Bureau and Louisiana Sportsmen's Alliance, I have vetoed House Bill No. 1091 and hereby return it to the House.

Sincerely,

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