



## FAILED PROGRAMS

“Animal Rights” Legislation intended to regulate pet ownership out of existence includes: Mandatory Pet Spay/Neuter, Mandatory Microchips, Bans on Pet Sales, Intact Pet Permits, Litter/Breeder Permits, Sellers Permits, Puppy/Kitten Lemon Laws, 150 sq. ft. kennel size per dog, Bans on Tethering Dogs, and more. These regulations result in fewer pet licenses sold and more animals relinquished to animal controls and shelters.

### EL PASO

**January 2006: El Paso passed Litter Permits, Mandatory Microchips and Canvassing (going door-to-door for enforcement).**

Microchip Database is an admitted failure according to one city councilman. No records maintained by city on pet owners who buy microchips - only estimated. Pet owners do NOT always pay the registration fee and mail in the paperwork to be registered in the national microchip registry.

#### **PER OPEN RECORDS REQUEST INFORMATION (July 2010):**

**LITTER PERMITS:** None sold in 2006; 2007; 2008; 2009 (since passage).

**MICROCHIP DATA:** No records of chips sold – only estimated.

**CANVASSING HOMES FOR ENFORCEMENT:** None canvassed in all four years “due to a backlog of service requests. All officers are 100% occupied in answering complaints (bites, vicious, neglect, strays, abandoned, barking).”

**GENERAL OBSERVATION:** Stats for Impoundments, Animals Euthanized, Animals Released, Animals Adopted and Animals Transferred remained unchanged. Budget increase of almost \$1 million. City has \$10 Pet License Fee for all dogs/cats.

### HOUSTON

**January 2007: Houston passed Breeder Permit.** “Commercial Breeder” defined as any person who breeds dogs and cats for the purpose of selling OR sells or offers for sale unneutered or unspayed offspring of dogs or cats to another person.

#### **PER OPEN RECORDS REQUEST INFORMATION:**

**Bureau of Animal Regulation (BARC) April 23, 2010:** “None Sold in 2007, One Permit Sold in 2008 and Two Permits Sold in 2009.”

### SAN ANTONIO

**December 2007: San Antonio passed Mandatory Spay/Neuter** for all dogs over 6 months of age or \$50 **Intact Dog Permit** must be purchased + Pet License Fees for both breeding dogs..

**Litter Permit with number required** to be displayed in all advertising.

**June 2010: San Antonio rescinded Mandatory Spay/Neuter for all dogs over 6 months of age and the Intact Dog Permit as being unenforceable.** Animal Care Services Director Gary Hendel stated that the only Intact Dog Permits sold were to owners who reclaimed their impounded dogs.

## **OPEN RECORDS REQUEST**

**Litter Permit:** 359 Litter Permits sold in two years 2008 and 2009, (Each Sunday, only 2 to 6 Litter Permit Numbers are listed in San Antonio Express-News Classified Ads out of 150-200 ads for dog sales).

### **LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

In 2007, Los Angeles was held up by the “animal rights” extremists as the city to emulate with Mandatory Spay/Neuter, Breeder Permits, etc. Three years later we find that their legislation resulted in increased killing in Los Angeles City shelters for the first time in a decade. Dog deaths increased 24%, while cat deaths increased 35% and continue to rise according to Nathan Winograd, founder of the No Kill Movement..

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### **“Animal Rights” Legislation**

Legislation passed in the cities below will be monitored after sufficient time has passed. Statistics will be analyzed for effectiveness in reducing euthanasia at city facilities and fewer stray animals on the streets. We have no doubt that time will prove that this radical national “animal rights” legislative agenda will continue to be a failure in Texas. Results will be posted to our website: [www.rpoatexasoutreach.org](http://www.rpoatexasoutreach.org) at the proper time.

**June 2008 Dallas**

**August 2009 Fort Worth**

**February 2009 Plano**