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## Advocating for changes to the CDC dog import rules

As most of you know, the CDC recently outlined its work plan for 2025 that includes its intention to make "revisions and clarifications" to the dog import rules. This would presumably take the form of a notice of proposed rules that includes these changes, with a possible timeline of April 2025. The proposed rules would presumably be subject to another round of public comments and input prior to implementation.

**A new FB group is being created to encourage and assist with efforts to advocate for the removal and/or modification of the current dog import rules that are unnecessary, overly burdensome and/or overreaching. More on this to come soon.**

The CDC is no doubt working on its revised proposed rules, so this is an important time to try to influence that work. It is also a significantly different opportunity, because with the current U.S. Administration, there will be a new, Trump-appointed Secretary of Health and Human Services (the federal agency that oversees the CDC) and a new Director of the CDC. These two appointees will, once confirmed, have the authority to advance or reject changes proposed by the CDC going forward.

In addition, U.S. President Trump has placed an immediate hold on issuing or proposing rules by federal agencies unless those actions have been reviewed and advanced by a Trump-appointed agency or department head. This will hopefully stop the rubber-stamping of rules proposed by lower level program offices without adequate consideration.

(Please no political comments or debate.)