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RE: H273/S878 An Act to Protect the Health and Safety of Animals in Cars

**DT:** 22 October 2015

Dear Honorable Chair and Members of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary,

Thank you for considering *H273/S87,8 An Act to Protect the Health and Safety of Animals in Cars* before your committee on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

The legislation is backed by over 30 direct service organizations that work with disadvantaged children and their families. This is comprehensive legislation that seeks to streamline food assistance, enable quick access to emergency shelters, and ensures that children get preventative health care in a timely manner. By providing these services to children, the Commonwealth will be provided with positive dividends for decades. The children will grow into adults that are healthy and productive citizens of the Commonwealth. Investing in Children is investing in the future of Massachusetts.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I respectfully request that *H273/S878*, *An Act to Protect the Health and Safety of Animals in Cars* be released favorably and expeditiously from your committee.

Sincerely,

Paul Heroux