Founded in 1914, the Washington Animal Rescue League is a private, not-for-profit organization providing stray ® unwanted animals with shelter, high-quality, low-cost medical attention, and loving care until they can find new adoptive homes.

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Animals who are too sick or injured even to stand should not be allowed to enter the human food chain. Please grant the petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals. docket # 98P-0151/CP1 In addition to posing an increased risk for bacterial contamination there is some evidence that downers ~~may be~~ afflicted with a form of B.S.E. Thank you. Brigitte Gatlin

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Please read my letter of compassion!

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I am writing to ask of you to grant the petition to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals - [DOCKET # 98P-0151/CP1].

(1) It's just down right cruel and humane to abuse animals that are too sick or injured to stand - many pictures and stories have shown & told of these helpless animals being dragged or beaten or left to die slowly!

(2) Also there is the cruelty involved in transporting these animals (God created these creatures for our care not our abuse!).

(3) Removing the market for downed animals will provide an incentive for the industry to prevent downed animals in the first place - they (downed animals) are a small percentage and

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