

Agriculture and Environment Committee

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As a greyhound participant I have been extremely disappointed with the State Government. Over the years many greyhound participants have raised integrity and welfare concerns, yet politicians from both sides have conveniently forgotten these meetings, emails and phone calls.

The greyhound Industry does not hire administrators, the Government does, yet they were willing to hang the greyhound industry out in the wind, rather than have a measured response as a stakeholder in racing.

The Queensland greyhound industry has been let down by continuous state governments over the past 20 years. The withholding of industry turnover has not allowed the industry to prosper, nor has the understanding of the need for safer tracks and racing which lead to higher rates of injury and are also animal welfare issues.

I support the new Racing Integrity Bill, however I am not supportive of the new all codes board due to continued political interference, which leads to bias and fraudulent decision making when it comes to the greyhound industry.

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