## **Agriculture and Environment Committee**

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Sent: Wednesday, 27 January 2016 1:31 PM

To: Agriculture and Environment Committee

Subject: greyhound participant concern.

As a greyhound participant I have been disappointed with the State Government as a stakeholder in racing, by not responding to allegations against the industry with a measured response.

This highlights the history of the State Governments failure to support the interests of the industry for the past two decades. Promises are made, then forgotten and has driven leading trainers, owners and breeders interstate to other jurisdictions where State Governments support all forms of racing.

The greyhound industry has been asking for this type of reform for over a decade, and I am supportive of the Racing Integrity Bill and the suggested changes.

However I cannot support changes to a new all codes board simply because I have no faith that this board will be impartial and support all codes equally.

Yours truly,

