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Dear Sir/ Madam,

I would urge you to consider the ammends to this Bill proposed by Animal Liberation Queensland, which are as follows:

* Mandatory standards and guidelines mentioned must include:

- regular health checks for breeding dogs, and all puppies before sale;

- capping litter numbers per breeding female to a maximum of 3 to limit time spent in a breeding facility;

- mandatory desexing for puppies sold and retired breeding dogs, as well as rehoming program; adequate housing, space, exercise, enrichment allowing for normal behaviours, as well as regular human contact;

- mandatory record keeping; and capping total number of breeding dogs on any property to a maximum of 10.

* The legislation should cover all dogs (no exemptions for working dogs, for example).

* Anyone guilty of animal welfare offences, including having unregistered breeding animals, should have their permit revoked

(including a ban on operation at the associated property), incur a strong financial penalty to act as deterrent, and have all their animals seized.

* Additional resources need to be made available to the RSPCA Qld or/and Queensland Police to investigate and enforce these animal welfare laws,

along with further funds directed to welfare groups to house seized animals.

* The sale of pets in pet shops should be banned (unless sourced from reputable shelters/rescue groups).

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my views on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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