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To: Agriculture and Environment Committee

Subject: Puppy Protection Bill

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To whom it may concern.

I am writing to you to submit the following information for the Queensland Puppy Protection Bill.

I would like to submit that Standards and Guidelines include Mandatory regular health checks for all dogs, breeding and puppies before allowing them for sale. A capping put on the amount of litters a breeding female has with a maximum of three (3).

Desexing for puppies sold and retired.

A re-homing programme introduced.

Adequate housing and space and human contact to encourage normal behaviour in dogs be mandatory.

A capping placed on the total number of breeding dogs kept on any property to ten (10).

Legislation should cover ALL Dogs with no exemption.

Any one found guilty of any welfare offences, including unregistered breeding animals should have their permit revoked (including the associated property) and also face a strong financial penalty, or custodial sentence to act as a deterrent and the animals seized and re-homed.

Additional resources and greater powers need to be made available to the RSPCA Queensland and The Queensland Police Force to investigate and enforce animals welfare laws.

The sale of pets in pet shop should also be banned unless the animals are sourced from a reputable Animal Shelter, Animal Group or Rescue Centres.

Thank you for your time and I ask that my submissions be taken into consideration.

Puppy farming is cruel and the majority of dogs are kept in appalling conditions.

Yours sincerely

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