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Dear Qld Politicians

Please be aware of the conditions dogs live in, in these LEGAL puppy farms. The smell of a puppy factory is unforgettable, an overwhelming stench of urine and faeces. The simultaneous barking of hundreds of dogs creates a wall of sound that makes it hard to think, let alone converse. Many dogs slowly go insane. They spin in circles or pace back and forth in their cells, some never see daylight, and the outside world is a foreign place to them.

Puppy factories are where thousands of our best friends are right now. They are where our best friends are forgotten.

Very Un Australian please help !

Please include these standards and guidelines in your puppy protection bill

Mandatory regular health checks for breeding dogs and all puppies before sale

Capping litter numbers per breeding female to a maximum of 3

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 the associated property), strong financial penalty to act as deterant, and 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.
- The sale of pets in pet shops should be banned (unless sourced from reputable shelters/rescue groups)

Please I beg of you

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