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Dear Sir/ Madam, I wish to make comment regarding the proposed new laws in Queensland where by only zoos will be able to keep exotic animals. For well over the last 160 years the "Traditional Animal Circus" has toured this great country Australia. The names will bring back memories of years gone by Ashtons, Bullens, Wirths, Perry Bros, Albertos, Circus Royale, Silvers to name but a few. These "CIRCUSES" brought entertainment to the far flung areas of Queensland with exotic and domestic animals, they were happily accepted by the paying public. So why are you proposing to change this law? Who is on such a committee to decide what Queensland people want to see? There are a number of "animal rights groups" currently attempting to have any animal involvement in all areas of animal keeping stopped within Australia, and the question you should ask is why? Exotic animals form the very basics of the traditional animal circus and the exotic animals currently used in Aussie Circuses are purposely bred in captivity from captive breed stock, I believe lions in Australia and ten and eleventh generation bred, more Aussie than some of us. I would urge you to ditch this "STUPID PROPOSAL". This needs to be done so the "children of all ages in Queensland" can enjoy the fun, thrills and laughter that "REAL TRADITIONAL ANIMAL CIRCUS" brings to towns and communities right across your beautiful state Queensland. I thank you for your time and pray to God that you take my comments, and drop this proposal ASAP. Yours Faithfully Raymond J. Deller East Geelong, Victoria [REDACTED] P.S. I have over 40 years working in the Traditional Circus Industry