

Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022

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As a long time dog owner I consider my dog a family member. My family receives immense pleasure from our animals and they contribute to our mental health. I do not condone animal cruelty of any kind however when I walk our dogs daily I would not feel comfortable doing it without a harness and lead, so much so that even my dogs wait to have their harnesses and leads attached before they attempt to walk past our front gate. I consider aspects of the proposed legislation worrying as they are unclear in their intent and typical government bureaucracies could interpret them erroneously in their current form. This proposed legislation in its current form is completely unacceptable as it has the potential to unnecessarily restrict the normal enjoyment of our pets in public spaces and should not be passed. The legislation should target animal cruelty only and should not be open to interpretation or misuse. I strongly object to the legislation in its current form.