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Division 5: 37A Possession or use of prohibited devices be deleted. The topic of restrains was not addressed in the discussion paper. This is a very vague and thoughtless wording like this is not acceptable in legislation. Reasonable excuse to use a restraint is law. All animals outside of personal property must be restrained. Restraint devices, such as collars, leashes, halter, harness and muzzles are essential for the safety animals, owners, handlers and general public. They are commonly used in identification, basic handling, exercising, competition and medical care. All animals are included. All restrains when used for indented use and correctly are safe. This draft implies that there should be no walking your dog, riding your horse or showing your animal, unless it can be done roaming free. Reading this draft legislation one can only assume it has been written without any industry consultation and by someone who has never owned an animal in their life, let alone trained one.