

Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022

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Appropriate governmental procedures were not followed - public inquiry was kept very hush hush until all of a sudden, the news of changing laws was has sprung up. Clarification on "restraint devices" is needed. A blanket notice towards all means of animal restraint is ridiculous. How will these laws affect police and security personnel? There needs to be more clarity and specification concerning these laws made available before they can proceed. I own a dog, we lived in remote NT near Mt Isa. There were dog baits all around us and as such, our dog needed a muzzle to prevent him from accidentally eating one. We keep it on here in Brisbane because all manner of food scraps are dropped on the ground and we are responsible, caring pet owners who don't want to see our dog get sick. Our dog also wears a harness when being walked as it is comfortable for him, and provides a far superior attachment point for the lead (between the shoulder blades). He also wears this when in the car as by law, animals must be restrained when travelling in a vehicle. There is no way I am using a simple collar when in the car - if we were to be involved in a collision or have to break suddenly, a collar could break his neck! The harness again is far superior.