

Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022

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I am a responsible dog owner currently on my 5th dog. All my dogs lived long lives and were obedience trained and could be walked anywhere without any problems. My current dog who has also done obedience training and has been raised exactly the same as all my dogs is sadly reactive to other dogs when walking, with my worst nightmare being an encounter with a off leash dog. A trainer recommended trying a prong collar and trained me how to use this tool which has successfully helped my dog to re-train her behaviour and relax instead of reacting. Without this training tool my beautiful dog would be stuck in a backyard and never experience the joy of sniffing and exploring beyond the yard. Perhaps consider making it mandatory that the purchase of a training tool like this is through a registered Dog Trainer which would also need involve training with said trainer to ensure this tool is used correctly. Or better still when purchasing a puppy/dog make it mandatory that the Purchaser enrolls and pays at the time of purchase for a dog training course then perhaps not so many young dogs will be dumped and euthanised because their ignorant owners have no idea how to train a puppy/dog.