

Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022

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As a native animal rescuer I come across more horrific things than the everyday person does. I have personally rescued 3 microbats that have had the unfortunate bad luck to end up stuck on fly paper. I've seen one microbat try and chew it's own wing off just to get away, another had both wings wrapped around just a small 10cm square piece of glue paper. Out of the 3 I rescued, 1 died after 4 hours gassed down at the vets, another was so bad I had it euthanised and the other was very traumatised and lost all its fur. Is the price these beautiful animals pay being on glue traps, enough to justify their use to trap flies? I say not at all. Nothing is as cruel as these items you can easily buy in Bunnings and other shops, even online. They are cheap but deadly. The public aren't aware these are the consequences of using these traps. They put them up and leave them, so that birds, reptiles and animals can be there for days or weeks slowly dying in terror, in absolute agony. This cannot be acceptable. By banning them from sale it will stop this horrific slaughter and make people aware. I ask that you please ban these from sale ASAP and for good. Thank you.