

Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022

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We are appalled at the indiscriminate and continuous decimation of Australian native flora and fauna. Important species are on the brink of extinction while others hover on the endangered list. Protection is minimal and subject to a mentality of "Only if it doesn't affect the profit margin". We live in a once-leafy suburb where property lots have been so heavily subdivided that the garden/backyard of a generation ago is the stuff of dreams. But more than that, habitat and environment for our native flora and fauna have been so devastated that we can list bird, small mammals and reptiles, insects, bees, butterflies and moths, shrubs, trees and small plants which have simply disappeared. Anything which reduces the remaining species surviving the greed and negligence of the past generation must be considered a threat. Glue traps are indiscriminate and slow killers of any small living creatures caught in them and should be removed from sale. There are other, more efficient and species-friendly ways to deal with problems -- glue traps are simply not one of them.