

**Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022**

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I would like to say that this legislation has been rushed through without adequate community consultation. I am a security dog handler, have been for 5 years. I own two strong dogs and have been training them since they were puppies. I have invested thousands of dollars into training 1 on 1 lessons with experienced and qualified dog trainers, thousands of dollars on specialist equipment, including pinch ("prong") collars. They are called pinch collars commonly because that is how they operate. They dont dig into the skin, they pinch it together, in a manner similar to how a mother dog corrects her young. This "ban on prong collars" legislation being claimed as already in the bag by the State Premier, is unnecessary and will punish many well intentioned members of the community who are responsible dog owners with large animals which require good obedience. I have seen small woman being dragged down the street by larger breed dogs on flat collars. An out of control dog is a dangerous dog. Your ban will result in many dogs with behavioural issues being put to death. How is this animal welfare? By killing animals? I want to know the exemptions that you plan to put in place with this legislation, as the Premier is already bypassing due process and parading in front of the media saying its already happening. If you are going to proceed with this stupid legislation, I would like to see ammendments made creating exepmtions for:Members of sporting dog clubs, members of police and military organisations, licensed security officers with dog patrol endorsements, qualified dog trainers, and members of the public who have completed hands on training in the appropriate use of prong collars "AND OTHER ANIMAL RESTRAINT DEVICES" mentioned in the bill. Thankyou very much for your time. I hope that you make the right decision on behalf of thousands of voting, responsible, dog owners who genuinely care about their animals.

█ owners who beat their dogs and use them in fighting rings wont care about this new legislation anyway- what they are already doing is illegal. Kind regards,Bill