

Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022

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While the proposed Bill is an improvement and addresses a number of items, animal advocates would welcome inclusion in the Bill the following: - introducing an Independent Office of Animal Protection- ban calf roping - (instead of clarifying that rodeos events (under the Code of practice) are allowed)- introduce mandatory reporting of suspected animal cruelty- ban 1080 poison- acknowledge the sentience of non-human animals- extend the statute of limitation for animal cruelty offences (currently 12-18 months)- make meaningful changes to factory farming and other farmed animal welfare, including transport or slaughter (other than CCTV for horses) - introduce major changes to monitoring and enforcement of animal welfare, particularly for farmed animals