

Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022

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I urge the committee to ban glue traps as a matter of urgency as they are inhumane and indiscriminate. Glue traps are currently readily available for sale to the general public. Retailers have abrogated their responsibility to act humanely. They clearly look to your committee for guidance on whether or not a product is suitable for sale. To date, no such guidance has been provided. There is no way to ensure consumers use glue traps correctly or check them often. There is virtually no way in most cases to ensure targeted pests are the only animals caught in the trap. This undoubtedly poses a significant and unacceptable risk that untargeted animals will be trapped, and that those animals will die a long and unnecessarily painful death.