

Inquiry into the Animal Care and Protection Amendment Bill 2022

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Humanity's approach to the environment and to our environmental concerns, has consistently been one of taking the easy way out, and addressing the symptoms. You need not look far to see the devastation this approach have wrought, in terms of the Extinction Crisis, the Climate Crisis and the Plastic Pollution Crisis. Our piecemeal approach to addressing the Climate Crisis, for example - by throwing a few million dollars here and there, rather than comprehensively and effectively addressing the root cause of climate change: Our excessive carbon emissions - is both lazy & pathetic. I see our approach to 'pest' management in the same light. Rather than researching and understanding the cause of the problems, we simply reach for the closest solution at hand. We label unwanted animals as pests, then trap them with glue-traps, inflicting unspeakable pain and suffering, without addressing any of the causes of the problem. Take note of the changing public perceptions - thinking and acting more green (or more teal) has become both desirable and very necessary. As part of this trend we should ban torture devices like glue traps.