

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

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The current sentences for animal cruelty and neglect are far too lenient. Penalties need to be increased, which I understand is what the amendment Bill is seeking to do. I would like this to be extended to include large scale animal suffering and aggravated offending from one year imprisonment to three years imprisonment. Penalties must also be extended to breaches of Duty of Care for multiple animals and the same penalty should not apply for one breach versus multiple breaches. Maximum penalties should be higher for where there is found to be a breach in respect of more than one animal. Please help protect the welfare of helpless animals. Please give them a voice.