




Speech By  
**Deb Frecklington**

**MEMBER FOR NANANGO**

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**AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT  
BILL**

 **Mrs FRECKLINGTON** (Nanango—LNP) (5.45 pm): Before this bill is guillotined, I am really keen to add my comments on the amendments to the Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act. I would like to thank the members of the Nanango Kennel Club who have provided me with feedback on this bill and the changes it proposes. I am the very proud patron of the Nanango Kennel Club. They are a fantastic group of people who have a passion for the dedication to dogs, dog breeding, education and training. I would like to give a big shout-out to president Annetta Bainbridge, vice president Ronald Riseley, treasurer Helen Williams, secretary Belle and all of their wonderful committee members. It was wonderful at the Nanango Show last weekend; it was an amazing dog show and the Nanango Kennel Club really do need to be congratulated for the hard work they put into that.

This is a group that was established in 1990. They have grown from strength to strength. They host championship shows, obedience trials, endurance trials and numerous workshops and social gatherings. Any local dog owner or breeder around the Nanango area would be more than welcome to join the Nanango Kennel Club. Importantly, they shared with me their submission to this bill made in conjunction with several other dog clubs, including the German Shepherd Dog Council and Club, the National Rottweiler Council and the Cattle Dog & Kelpie Club. Their collective motivation for their submission is a recognition that it is a privilege to own our companion animals and that too often certain breeds can be falsely demonised.

In the short time I have remaining I want to thank the shadow minister for agriculture, who really does so much in the space of agriculture, fisheries and forestry. He fills the gap. He is a farmer.

**An honourable member** interjected.

**Mrs FRECKLINGTON:** I would say he is a grazier.

**An honourable member:** He used to grow peanuts too.

**Mrs FRECKLINGTON:** He did used to grow peanuts; I take that interjection. He is a grazier who understands the importance particularly of working dogs.