



New South Wales

# Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment (Virtual Stock Fencing) Bill 2024

## Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

## Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to permit the use of virtual stock fencing devices for the purposes of confining, tracking and monitoring stock animals.

## Outline of provisions

**Clause 1** sets out the name, also called the short title, of the proposed Act.

**Clause 2** provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent to the proposed Act.

**Schedule 1** amends the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979*, section 16 to exclude virtual stock fencing devices from the offence prohibiting the use of certain electrical devices on animals.



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*This PUBLIC BILL, originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for its concurrence.*

*Legislative Assembly*

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly*



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## **Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment (Virtual Stock Fencing) Bill 2024**

No. \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

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### **A Bill for**

An Act to amend the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979* to permit the use of virtual stock fencing devices.

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*The LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL has this day agreed to this Bill with/without amendment.*

*Legislative Council*

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*Clerk of the Parliaments*

**Tabling copy**

**The Legislature of New South Wales enacts—**

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**1 Name of Act**

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This Act is the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment (Virtual Stock Fencing) Act 2024*.

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**2 Commencement**

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This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.

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<b>Schedule 1</b>	<b>Amendment of Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 No 200</b>	1
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<b>[1]</b>	<b>Section 16 Certain electrical devices not to be used upon animals</b>	3
	Insert “, but does not include a virtual stock fencing device” after “the regulations” in section 16(1), definition of <i>electrical device</i> .	4
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<b>[2]</b>	<b>Section 16(1)</b>	6
	Insert in alphabetical order—	7
	<i>virtual stock fencing device</i> means a device—	8
	(a) consisting of GPS-enabled sensors and collars capable of delivering electric pulses and cues to stock animals, and	9
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	(b) used for the purposes of confining, tracking and monitoring stock animals.	11
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