

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Greyhound Racing Bill 2017

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 **Greyhound welfare code of practice**

Page 5, clause 8. Insert after line 11:

- (b) amending the code of practice prepared by the Commission in a manner that would have an adverse effect on animal welfare,

No. 2 **Greyhound deaths to be included in annual report of Commission**

Page 6, clause 15. Insert after line 41:

- (b) a list of all greyhound deaths (including cause of death) notified to the Commission over that period, and

No. 3 **Greyhound welfare code of practice**

Page 13, clause 35, line 41. Insert "The standards must also include the animal welfare measures recommended by the Greyhound Industry Reform Panel in its report to the Government of February 2017." after "1979."

No. 4 **Greyhound welfare code of practice**

Page 14, clause 36, line 7. Omit "may". Insert instead "must".

No. 5 **Greyhound welfare code of practice**

Page 14, clause 36, line 13. Insert "Any such amendment may only be made if the amendment is likely to improve animal welfare." after "practice."

No. 6 **Greyhound breeding cap**

Page 14. Insert after line 29:

40 Annual cap on breeding greyhounds

The maximum number of greyhounds that may be bred in any calendar year is set at 2,000.

Note. The breeding cap may be enforced by the imposition by the Commission of conditions on the registration of greyhound breeders.

No. 7 **Register of greyhounds**

Page 17, clause 48. Insert after line 26:

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- (4) The Commission must, in accordance with the regulations, prepare and maintain a register of greyhounds. The register is to be made publicly available on the Commission's website.

No. 8 **Review of Act**

Page 42, clause 102. Insert after line 9:

- (b) whether greyhound racing should be banned on animal welfare grounds,

No. 9 **Offences under Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act**

Page 58, Schedule 6.2. Insert after line 14:

[7] Section 26AB

Insert after section 26AA:

26AB Unnecessary destruction of greyhounds

- (1) A greyhound racing industry participant is guilty of an offence if the participant causes or induces, whether by threats or otherwise, a veterinary practitioner to destroy a greyhound that is not injured or sick.

Maximum penalty: 1,000 penalty units in the case of a corporation and 200 penalty units or imprisonment for 2 years, or both, in the case of an individual.

- (2) A veterinary practitioner is guilty of an offence if:

(a) the veterinary practitioner destroys a greyhound that is not injured or sick, and

(b) the veterinary practitioner does so with the intention of enabling a greyhound racing industry participant to avoid requirements under the *Greyhound Racing Act 2017* relating to the greyhound.

Maximum penalty: 1,000 penalty units in the case of a corporation and 200 penalty units or imprisonment for 2 years, or both, in the case of an individual.

- (3) In this section:

greyhound racing industry participant has the same meaning as in the *Greyhound Racing Act 2017*.