## COMPANION ANIMAL BREEDING PRACTICES IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Hello,

I believe we should have certain number of licensed breeders in any given area & that they should kept accountable by the Local & State Governments. All animals sold through these breeders should be de-sexed prior to sale thus reducing the amount of innocent animals unnecessarily euthanised due to uncontrolled breeding & inconsiderate owners. Animals should never be sold through pet shops or online, & 'puppy factories' & the like should be outlawed. Humans can not be trusted to put the welfare of animals before their own greed & profits so effective legislation needs to be put in place to stop the cycle.

An 8-12 week period where a person/family has time to really think about whether they really want to purchase an animal from a breeder should soon sort out those that are really committed rather than the people that cave in to their kids in the pet shop because Fido is so cute - just for the innocent animal to be left by the side of the road in 4 weeks time & abandoned.

It's about time we took the dreadful waste & cruelty out of pet ownership & tightened up the rules surrounding it. We can only thank organisations such as the RSPCA & Animals Australia for bringing 'puppy factories' & the like to public attention - not to mention live baiting etc. It's now up to Parliament to do the right thing.

Sincerely,