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# **COMPANION ANIMAL BREEDING PRACTICES IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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RE: Inquiry into puppy farms

I wish to make the following points to be considered by the members of the involved in the inquiry into puppy farming in NSW.

1. More than half of pets that go into pounds are dumped dogs from the massive and uncontrolled over breeding of dogs by unregistered breeders. This is both a cost on the individual and on the state.
2. These puppies are often bred in unsanitary, cruel and harsh conditions and suffering for both the pups and the dams is common. This should not be tolerated in an advanced society such as ours
3. Many of these puppies/dogs are underfed, ill and in need of short and long term veterinary care which places an impost on the buyers who are often unable to meet the costs which results in the puppies/dogs being left to suffer or being dumped.
4. Puppy farm breeders do nothing to support the specific breed of the dogs and are often engaged in breeding practices which result in malformed animals and non viable breed variations. This type of breeding is not about the dogs this is about profit at the expense of the dogs and the people who buy them.

Please consider:

1. Licencing of breeders with over a specified number of dogs or producing a specified number of puppies per year.
2. Requiring breeders to belong to an appropriate registering authority
3. Regular inspection of breeding facilities

Thank you for considering this matter.

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