



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO.4 - INDUSTRY

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PROHIBIT MULES OPERATIONS ON SHEEP AND REQUIRE PAIN RELIEF FOR OTHER PROCEDURES

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An Upper House committee is conducting an inquiry into the [Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment \(Restrictions on Stock Animals Procedures\) Bill 2019](#), a bill currently in the Legislative Council.

The Bill, put forward by the Hon Mark Pearson MLC, seeks to make legislative amendments in order to prohibit the performance of the mules operation on sheep and require the administration of pain relief in other operations on stock animals, such as castration, dehorning and tail docking.

The Chair of the committee, the Hon Mark Banasiak MLC, said: "This inquiry will consider the objectives of the bill. Interested stakeholders and members of the community can have their say by completing an [online questionnaire](#) by 31 July 2020. Organisations and experts who would like to contribute their views in other ways are also welcome to contact the committee secretariat. The committee will make its report by 24 September 2020".

For more information about the inquiry, including the terms of reference, please see the committee's website: <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/portfoliocommittee4>.

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