

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SELECT COMMITTEE ON GREYHOUND RACING IN NEW SOUTH WALES

MEDIA RELEASE

'Gone to the Dogs'

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE 12 September 2013

A new parliamentary committee has been established to inquire into greyhound dog racing in NSW.

Greyhound racing provides an enjoyable hobby for many people, and is an important economic contributor to many rural and regional areas. Across the State, there are some 35 greyhound racing tracks.

However, concerns have been expressed about the industry. Committee Chair, the Hon Robert Borsak MLC said 'The concerns of dog owners and stakeholders in the greyhound racing industry have been heard. The committee has been established to investigate the economic viability of the industry, as well as the effectiveness of the current industry regulation and governance.' Mr Borsak continued 'Issues of animal welfare and the sale and breeding of greyhound dogs will also be examined by the Committee.'

The Committee welcomes submissions from interested parties, which should be received by 6 November 2013. Submissions can be lodged via the parliamentary website: www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/greyhoundracing.

For more information, including terms of reference and guidelines for making a submission, please contact the Committee secretariat on 9230 3081.

-ENDS-

For further information please contact Committee Chair Hon. Robert Borsak MLC, on 9230 2573