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## INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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## Select Committee on Greyhound Racing in NSW

(k) The welfare of animals in the industry and the role of Greyhound Racing NSW in establishing and enforcing standards of treatment of animals

The current GRNSW Greyhounds As Pets (GAP) program in NSW needs to have a major overhaul. Too many greyhounds who would make lovely pets are failing in this program. I am an Owner/Trainer with over thirty years experience in the industry. In the last two years, I have placed four greyhounds into this program who have all failed. I only try to re-home greyhounds into the GAP program when I know the dog has a suitable temperament and personality. The reasons given for their failures border on ridiculous, from not being 'sociable enough' to go with the new owner to a cafe for coffee, to a greyhound wanting to pull on its lead at the park. I have gone to the trouble to privately re-home all four of the above greyhounds, and they are now happy members of loving families, no thanks to GRNSW's greyhounds as pets! As it currently stands, only the 'perfect' greyhounds are accepted and re-homed.