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INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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I am writing as I oppose greyhound racing and would like to see a full inquiry in to this industry. There seems to be little legislation surrounding the treatment of the dogs both racing and after their racing career has ended. In fact I have been informed that there is no independent oversight of the greyhound racing industry in NSW. The industry is governed by Greyhound Racing NSW, an autonomous non-government body established in 2009 under the Greyhound Racing Act. GRNSW is responsible for both the regulatory and commercial functions of the industry. This is simply not acceptable and has clearly led to welfare issues - over 3,000 dogs were killed last year directly due to the 'sport'. I demand an inquiry into this out dated and horrible sport.