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## **INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW**

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To: Legislative Council Select Committee on Greyhound Racing in NSW

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Submission Heading: GRNSW not working for the benefit of owners and trainers

Relevance/Terms of Reference: The capability and performance of Greyhound Racing NSW and governance of the industry

What I would like to say:

I believe GRNSW should be more transparent and not just use the website to give information to participants. They should be using greyhound publications to inform people what is happening. Some examples of where they were not transparent are in swab results, inquiries and rule changes which seem to be kept a secret. The website is not user friendly as it is hard to download forms. I think GRNSW have spent a lot of money on the system but it still doesn't give us what we need.

I don't like what has happened at the Gardens. I think GRNSW and the NCA have wasted time and money there. We have not had any information from GRNSW on the problems at the Gardens and what procedures have been put in place to avoid a similar occurrence. The GBOTA now has a monopoly on tracks and I don't think that is fair.

I don't believe the race clubs should choose their own auditors, they should be appointed either by Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing. The auditors should be changed at least every 3 to 5 years. The clubs should be run professionally.

Unless the inter code agreement is changed and we get our fair share we think the industry will collapse as no one will breed and participate in the sport anymore. This will affect government revenue. Many people only like punting on the greyhounds because it is considered a fairer gambling option as there are a maximum of 8 starters in a race.

Could the inquiry ask the Minister for Racing what his thoughts are to move the industry forward?  
What are his policies to this?