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## INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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## The Terms of reference A to N

To the select committee on Greyhound Racing nsw

I Barry Wilson have ask; unable to use a computer,

to forward this letter on to you all ,Because i am

I have just pulled out of the greyhound industry after 60 years in the sport which has had the heart ripped out of it over the last 20 years. I also would like you to take notice how i have seen the industry over the last 60 years, and I quote as follows =

You see them in all kinds of weather, walking their dogs.

They wait patiently at the Vets waiting for their dogs to be checked.

You see them acting in voluntary capacities helping to keep the smaller Tracks Solvent.

They travel hundreds of kilometers to race and trial Dogs and to have bitches served.

They spend long and lonely nights with their precious brood bitches while they are whelping their puppies.

They spend endless hours caring for pups, from worming, cleaning, bathing, doing nails, feeding, cleaning yards and then teaching them to lead.

You will see them cleaning kennels, bathing race dogs, picking their droppings, treating injuries, mixing dinners, washing rugs and bedding, cleaning Trailers and surrounds.

You see them treated like as second class citizens because they own and love and care for their Greyhound Dogs,

You see them at the centre of inconsistent decision by those that control the sport with no comeback of any kind.

You see them cop bad decisions from a desperate government for a cash grab re inter-code.

They race for decreased prize money while they see money wasted on administration and when they speak out there are reprisals from within the the administration things of this nature will continue to happen with this inquiry its given the participant have a chance to say ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

It is our basic right just like the ethnic groups, aborigines, and minority groups in this great country of ours

We do this because we love and care for our beloved greyhounds and like all animal lovers we want the best for our Greyhounds changes are needed, because when the HEART GIVES UP. Its the end of everything and us to the people who are the HEART! PLEASE DON'T ALLOW WHAT'S LEFT TO WILT AWAY.

Thank You Kindly Barry Wilson