

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

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I would like to add a submission to alert committee members to the awful truth behind greyhound racing and the treatment of these beautiful animals!

There really needs to be management of the sale and over-breeding of greyhounds. Far too often these dogs are raced until they are too old and then sometimes killed, cruelly!

I have heard allegations of the 'doping' of dogs - animals are innocent and vulnerable and are unable to stand up for themselves - and the fact there are even allegations to this, is absolutely disgusting! Something must be done! You need to enforce standards for the treatment of animals in the industry.

Another option would be for prosecution where animal cruelty is found. Like the RSPCA adopt - can we not make it a legal requirement that these beautiful dogs are treated fairly and kindly - as they should be.

There is an inadequacy and questionable integrity of data collection in the industry: including the number of pups born, the number of dogs euthanized and injury rates - why isn't more being done? What can you do to ensure this doesn't happen?

We need to cease the ongoing export of greyhounds to countries where there are no effective animal cruelty laws. How can this be legal? How can we be sending these beautiful animals off to be hurt and killed?

Dog is a man's best friend. Not to be used as a pawn piece in a financial gain - there needs to be rules enforced.... NOW!