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**INQUIRY INTO USE OF BATTERY CAGES FOR HENS IN
THE EGG PRODUCTION INDUSTRY**

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The mark of a civilised society is how it balances its humanity against its needs and aspirations and the desire of its component sectors to post annual profits. There can be NO reason whatsoever for Australia to continue any practice that exploits the creatures which through no fault of their own are under our control. Control should equate to care. Control does not equate to care in this horrific issue of battery hen production. Why is there not immediate legislation to ban this nightmarish practice? How any person can observe day and night - and continue to justify - this practice and not be sickened to the core is beyond belief. These unique, feeling, personalities are not commodities. I know no-one who will pick up a pack of eggs that is not at least labelled free range (and that is another matter). There must be enormous wastage at the end of this process. Please legislate to ban it now. No excuses, no exceptions.