

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

Name: Name suppressed

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I appreciate the opportunity to lodge the following submission to the NSW Legislative Council Select Committee on the Use Of Battery Cages in the Egg Production Industry.

I am strongly opposed to the use of battery cages and I hereby call upon the NSW government to .outlaw battery cages for hens in NSW once and for all

My specific concerns are:

1. Poor animal welfare outcomes accompanied by poor animal welfare practices.
2. Use of artificial regimes accompanied by unnatural manipulation of egg production.
3. Hens forced to live in sheds containing high levels of ammonia from their waste.
4. Permanent cage confinement in small cages.
5. Restricted lack of movement causing bone and muscle weakness.

The sole justification for these practices are greater profitability for the industry and government at the expense of hens significant suffering.

Thank you for considering my views.

Yours sincerely