

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

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As my elected representative, I'm asking you to seriously consider banning the use of battery hens in NSW. The way hens are stacked on top of each other is very unnatural and cruel. In the enormous sheds, the hens never see sunlight, they spend their entire lives in a metal cage and share a tiny space with 3 to 7 other hens. Each hen is allowed the space of less than an A4 sheet of paper. The hens suffer greatly in these restricted spaces both mentally and physically. They also have no way of avoiding aggression and even cannibalism from other hens. Overall these conditions are far from ideal and particularly difficult and painful for the hens. Please take a stand against this cruelty.

regards,

Marie Crilley