

**Submission
No 476**

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

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Dear Committee members,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my views on the use of battery cages in NSW.

It is obvious that battery cages have a tremendous detrimental impact on layer hens. I am not going to waste my time detailing the ways in which hens suffer.

Instead I want to remind you of the power that is in your hands.

You have the power to stop the use of battery cages and stop the unnecessary suffering. Australians have made it clear that they support free range eggs, as the majority purchase free range.

If you decide not to reform I suggest you print off some graphic photos of caged hens with bones so weak they can't even stand up and put it on your mirror so you are reminded every day of the suffering YOU had the opportunity to prevent.

If you got to this part of the letter, thank you for taking the time you to actually read it.

Kind regards,
Caitlin Emmerich