

Submission  
No 175

**INQUIRY INTO PROVISIONS OF THE RIGHT TO FARM  
BILL 2019**

**Name:** Mrs Martine Porret

**Date Received:** 27 September 2019

---

Partially  
Confidential

As consumers we need to know what is happening in agricultural farming. This so-called "Right to Farm" Bill includes the toughest penalties for farm trespass in the country - including up to three years' jail time and \$22,000 in fines.

This bill is simply another attempt to appease lobbyists from the animal agribusiness industry and frighten whistleblowers into silence.

As the government and animal agribusinesses scramble to introduce new laws under the guise of "biosecurity"; we raise the question - do these farms look biosecure to you?

Footage was released today by Animal Liberation  
Queensland and Animal Liberation. Despite being fined tens of thousands of dollars (as recently as 2018) for environmental breaches, this piggery remains open and operating.

The footage shows: vile, filthy conditions; widespread sickness; rat infestations; decomposing corpses of mother sows, left only a few feet away from nursing piglets; dozens of other bodies left to rot outside, being eaten by rats; sows and boars confined to tiny stalls, who are only let out for mating purposes; pigs being hit, kicked and poked with metal poles and cattle prods for not complying.

Without activists risking their safety and freedom to expose these places, the industry will continue to operate in secrecy. The public will continue to be fed lies and disease-ridden food, and animals will continue to live in absolute hell.