

**INQUIRY INTO PROVISIONS OF THE RIGHT TO FARM
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My Husband & I are graziers. Combined with drought you would think we currently face our biggest adversary. However, in our area recently we have experienced Trespassers that have stolen farm equipment resulting in crippling the livelihood of the farmers from whom they stole. As if life on the land isn't tough enough, no wonder some of us contemplate suicide. We personally have had 3 separate attacks on our sheep from dogs trespassing & ripping our sheep apart & leaving them for dead. Their irresponsible owners getting away with no severe penalties in place for this either. We are struggling to keep our animals alive it makes us question ourselves, is it worth it? It has been heartbreaking. If the person reading this has not already done so, come & experience first hand a day in the life of a farmer, in today's times. My husband is a third generation farmer, it is in his blood, it's all he knows. Please find it in your hearts to pass legislation against Trespasser that cause, or bring to harm, the livelihood of farmers, their animals & food they produce. People need to understand the harm they are causing. It's not just the physical but the mental anguish that is at stake. Thank you for reading my submission.