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**INQUIRY INTO ANIMAL CRUELTY LAWS IN NEW SOUTH
WALES**

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Thank you for accepting my submission regarding Animal Cruelty Laws.

I believe animal cruelty is epidemic in Australia. I also believe it should not fall to charitable organisations to police and enforce animal cruelty prevention.

Almost daily there is a new horror reported of individuals behaving in clearly psychopathic ways towards animals eg. policemen stoning wombats to death and filming it, vehicles intentionally mowing down kangaroos and emus, diners ripping the heads of live kookaburras and this is just a small example. Clearly deterrents are not harsh enough and the punishment does not fit the crime.

This does not include government approved cruelty on farms, in medical research, widespread brutal culling of animals both native and non native, 1080 poison, kangaroo joeys being beaten to death on the side of trucks, male calves being bashed to death in the dairy industry, male chicks being ground to death in mincing machines, hens being confined to battery cage prisons, widespread footage of indescribable cruelty in almost every slaughterhouse comes to light very regularly.

I don't think enough is being done to prevent any of this cruelty and we need a powerful, intelligent and independent office of animal welfare. This should not be affiliated with any other business (as in the RSPCA promoting dead chicken and eggs for sale - there is nothing cruelty free about the chicken industry nor the egg industry). I ask you consider very carefully the fact that this cruelty takes place every single day in this country unabated. We need new laws and we need new people to enforce them.