

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

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Re the enquiry into the enforcement of the Prevention Of Cruelty To Animals Act.

POCTAA is the only criminal legislation in Australia where a charitable organisation is responsible for investigations, enforcement and at times prosecutions. This is nowhere good enough!

POCTAA needs an INDEPENDENT and PROFESSIONAL Animal Welfare Office to oversee and enforce the Act and to enact suitable punishment.

Far too many violent animals abusers are getting off far too lightly! It is just not good enough!