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**INQUIRY INTO EXHIBITION OF EXOTIC ANIMALS IN
CIRCUSES AND EXHIBITION OF CETACEANS IN NEW
SOUTH WALES**

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I feel the current legislation is sufficient for circuses and marine parks.

Australia has a strict code of practice in place and these types of businesses are inspected regularly to ensure the best of care and animal welfare.

It should also be noted that Stardust Circus is in fact an A rated animal facility after recent audits from the department of Exhibited Animals and the department of Primary Industries.

I believe the animals live a great life at the circus, having human interaction everyday.

The lions enjoy performing, they also enjoy playing soccer every afternoon with their trainer.

To take them away from this environment would be stressful to them.

Wonona West-Smith

Animal trainer-Stardust Circus