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**INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND WELFARE AND
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When members of the public see a Greyhound, they automatically think of racing? Why? Because this poor dog has been exploited and used as a commodity in the very cruel "sport" of racing.

Millions of dogs have been bred and killed in the name of Greyhound Racing and it is totally unacceptable for this to continue.

I believe that this industry needs to be banned but in the mean time, we need to make changes to improve the lives of these gentle hearted animals.

We need to stop over breeding.

When they are not racing or training, dogs are kept in tiny cages barely bigger than themselves, this is unacceptable. They need bigger kennels and space to roam outside.

When racing, the Racing industry needs to make the track and race as safe as possible and DO NOT allow the dogs to race in the heat.

Live Baiting is totally unacceptable and must be banned now. Those that continue this cruelty must be banned from the industry immediately.

The Racing industry is full of people drugging and doping their dogs... This is what greed does to people.

Once a Greyhound is injured or getting too old to race, they are often killed or thrown away like garbage... This needs to end today.

Charities need to be given more financial help with regards to rehoming greyhounds.

Can you believe that sometimes greyhounds are killed by draining their blood, this is shocking and unacceptable. As if that is not bad enough, live dogs are often sent to other countries where welfare is shocking. This must stop.

Gambling is a huge problem in Australia and people need to find a healthier way to entertain themselves. We need to stop normalising animal abuse, exploitation and a disregard for other living beings.

The Government needs to STOP supporting and providing tax money to this cruelty and abuse.

It is evident that the racing industry puts profits over the greyhounds' wellbeing. It denies them their natural instincts, causing physical and mental suffering, while it is also responsible for thousands of injuries and deaths. If the people in the industry truly loved their greyhounds, they would not risk their lives for money. Ultimately, far too many greyhounds are suffering in the name of entertainment.

It needs to STOP today