INQUIRY INTO PUPPY FARMING IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Dear Sir or Madam

Puppy farming is an archaic and cruel practice that has no place in civilised society and certainly no place in Australia. Exploiting dogs for commercial gain, for no regard of their welfare is unacceptable in the extreme. Puppy farming is simply an abhorrent practice that must be stopped. How can any of us stand idly by while innocent and defenceless animals are just used as breeding machines. These animals can feel pain and experience fear, aggravated when breeding and having to deal with pregnancies; birth and their young.

There must be absolute limits on on the number of male and female dogs any breeder can have, limits on the number of litters any dog can be forced to endure (and timeframe restrictions i.e. interval between breeding), and mandatory vet checks by independent vets who have been accredited to do so and staffing ratios to ensure animals are given proper care. There has to be legislation enforcing this and making puppy farms illegal, without any legal loopholes allowing for these laws to be circumvented.

This is an election issue from my perspective so I will be paying close attention to what government and other political parties choose to do on this topic.