INQUIRY INTO ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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I am writing to ask for some clarification on some points in the Animal Welfare Policy Draft Bill 2022. As a member of Dogs NSW and owner, breeder and dog show exhibitor I am concerned in relation to the following aspects.

- 1. The definition of exhibiting an animal What is the distinction between animals on exhibit in a zoo, wildlife park or similar as opposed to the exhibiting of dogs at a dog show or Agricultural show? Will a licence have to be obtained to exhibit at a dog show?
- 2.As the breeder of an occasional litter, maybe one litter in a year, am I considered to be commercial? What is the definition of a commercial breeder?
- 3. The powers of entry of authorised officers to enter premises. In a rural area does the authority to enter a premises, or part of a premises not used for residential purposes, mean that an officer can enter the property at any time?

Thanks for the opportunity to ask for clarification and contribute to the development of the legislation