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INQUIRY INTO PUPPY FARMING IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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MAKING PUPPY FARMING ILLEGAL IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Puppy farming is cruel beyond belief.

Puppy farmers put young – often far too young – bitches into pregnancy; and the farmers do it again and again, many times in a year, draining the bitch of her strength and, ultimately, her life (please see the story of Strawberry the Boxer, and weep).

Puppies are churned out, and often sold through pet shops – a practice which encourages cruelty; puppy farmers keep creating puppies, pet shops – often incompetent – sell puppies who, far too often, end up in dog “shelters”.

Victoria and Western Australia have already banned puppy sales in pet shops, and introduced laws to combat puppy farms. Other states are set to follow. New South Wales risks becoming the only state which allows puppy farming – and thereby becomes the centre of appalling cruelty.

Laws to end this cruelty should limit the number of animals a breeder can have, ban pet shops selling puppies, and ban secretive online advertising by puppy farmers.