

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO PUPPY FARMING IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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I am a dog breeder with 41 years involvement with breeding happy, health and long lived dogs. I breed what is a fairly rare breed now, Lhasa Apso. I have bred about 14 litters in the last 20 years. Puppies are always sold with a return to breeder provision, and i maintain contact with all puppy purchasers.

our litters are ALWAYS whelped and raised in our living areas, and our dogs are all cherished. currently, we have 9 dogs, ranging from the oldest who is over 15 years old to the youngest, just 2.years old. We seldom place older dogs, hence we have a somewhat geriatric grouping within our dogs, but they are all cherished.

The bill would restrict people like me breeding dogs, with a goal of maintaining a breed that is several hundred years old.

we are members of DOGSNSW, and they have a "code of ethics" which we adhere to, including the fact that breeding females can only have a maximum of 4 litters in their lifetime.

this bill would restrict small hobby breeders like myself, but still allow large scale breeding facilities, which would be to the detriment of the dogs welfare.

Please no not go forward with this bill.