

**INQUIRY INTO PUPPY FARMING IN NEW SOUTH
WALES**

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I support the introduction of laws and regulations to oversee the breeding of dogs and cats in NSW to ensure no animal suffers needlessly.

The laws and regulations governing puppy and kitten farms are woefully inadequate.

There is no state-wide licensing or registration scheme in place, no minimum staffing requirement to ensure proper care, no limit on the number of litters dogs or cats are forced to have, and no qualification requirement for breeders.

Evidence has been uncovered that animals are often treated cruelly or neglected. As the last two years have highlighted - animal companionship provides numerous benefits to human lives and it is our responsibility to ensure they are treated humanly and not exploited.

It is time the NSW state put in place sufficient regulation to ensure no animal continues to suffer. A society that places the care of animals as a priority is a humane one.

I hope that this inquiry will bring the issues out into the public and with the support of this committee, will lead to direct action.