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**INQUIRY INTO ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY IN NEW
SOUTH WALES**

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Hi,

I am writing re the new animal welfare bill that has been proposed.

There are some valid points to this bill that are great such as the Minimum care requirements, including Octopus, Squid, Lobsters and Crabs and the recognition of the psychological suffering that animals go through.

But overall NSW still needs more comprehensive animal welfare laws that acknowledge the sentience of animals and protect them from cruel and outdated practices such as the mulesing of lambs, hot iron branding, painful procedures with no pain relief and confinement such as battery hens and sow stalls. Thinking of animals suffering in these ways makes me feel sick. It's barbaric and cruel and has no place in 2022.

Please use this chance to make a real difference to these sentient beings we share our planet with.

Kind regards,