INQUIRY INTO ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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The proposed Animal Welfare Bill 2022 has not addressed all of the community expectations.

Laws in NSW regarding animals should apply to all animals.

Firstly, they must be recognised as sentient beings and valued as animals, not food.

Secondly, farm animals should be included in the laws so they are not subjected to cruel practices such as being confined to cages or sow stalls, being branded with a hot iron or muelsing.

Thirdly, an independent Authority should be set up to monitor and oversee the above.

It is pleasing to see that included in the Bill is the fact that animals will be able to express themselves normally, and that sea creatures have been included and that psychological suffering has been included with regard to harm to animals.

I trust that all involved in the making of this Bill think carefully and consider the feelings of all animals. Thankyou.