

Petition Calling for Animals Not To Be Sold in Pet Shops

To the Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

The Petition of the people of New South Wales brings to the attention of the House:

Most puppies and kittens sold in pet shops are bred in ‘mills’ where dogs and cats are kept in sub-standard conditions and continually bred until they die. Cute puppies and kittens displayed in pet shops cause impulse purchases of pets. Thousands of these animals are dumped each year when people realise the time, cost and responsibility of caring for a pet. In New South Wales alone over 50,000 unwanted cats and dogs are destroyed every year in pounds and shelters.

The undersigned petitioners therefore request a ban on the sale of pets from pet retail outlets; sales and advertising restricted to responsible breeders and those re-homing unwanted pets; and detailed information on responsible ownership provided when pets are sold, including an animal’s expected lifespan, growth, dietary and exercise needs, and expected costs of ownership.

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