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I am extremely concerned about inadequacy of the penitelys of livestock theft, and the relevant breaches of biosecurity. I will use the Gippy goat cafe as an example a \$1 fine total for theft, trespass, unlawful removal of livestock identification tags and animal cruelty in the form of transporting animals in the back of cars but more importantly being so misguided and ill informed that it was believed to be a good idea to put nappies on a goat or to house one in an environment that they thought it was a good idea.

Please note that as this goat was kept on a property not linked a PIC Ms Garrett was in breach of Livestock Disease Control Act 1994.

A number of people seem to have found the \$1 fine so inadequate that Ms Garrett has received a number of threats to the point the AGE has published an article with the following name "'You're a walking talking corpse': Vile threats toward vegan activist "

I believe that the \$1 fine given to Ms Garrett is seen as an insult by a number of people and I firmly believe that if she had been given a punishment that more in line with the seriousness of the crime she would have not seen such public backlash. Remember she is the Face that people now blame for 8 people losing their jobs.

What happens when some activist thinks it is a good idea to get in a quarantine pen with a mad bull, who would be to blame what happens when several activists get Q-fever or any number of diseases that can be contracted from animals.

What happens if an activist manages to walk through an area contaminated with anthrax and they cause an outbreak due to them thinking it doesnt matter its only a \$1 fine. We could have whole industries devastated and random members of the public could die.

One very important thing we must do is make sure the RSPCA and the DJPR have the resources and power to investigate any reports of animal cruelty in a timely manner to ensure the public's confidence in the system and to avoid any harm that will be caused by

those who mean well.

I also believe that the \$1 fine shows that judges cannot be given so much leeway in deciding the penalties make the minimum penalties you could base it on penalty units let's say it starts at two penalty units. (about \$330)

It should also be legislated that giving money to help steal animals and or trespass. (with this purpose in mind) should also be illegal. I believe I have covered all of the terms of reference expt E

Regards

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