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Inquiry Name: Inquiry into the Impact of Animal Rights Activism on Victorian Agriculture

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Gday.

My submission is simple.

If there wasn't a problem there would not be so much activity around animal cruelty.

With technology at our advantage we can incorporate the use of cctv as we do in public spaces to protect our animals from abuse as we protect ourselves from similar treatment.

We could remove the need for whistle blowers by having the cctv footage reviewed regularly also removing the biosecurity issue. Farmers can promote themselves by having these systems in place and having reviews that deem them animal friendly slaughterhouses.

Grants could be setup to assist in the setup cost although these animal rescuers use them all the time I'm sure the cost would be quite low.

It would be great to see Victoria lead the way nationally and globally in cruelty free slaughterhouses, protecting the growers/farmers, the people exposing those that do wrong and of course the victims of human abuse; the most important in this scenario, (The ones who are unable to defend themselves) the Animals.

Punishing and jailing those that expose the truth does not remove the truth, it hides it. This is not a solution to the abuse.

People exposing truth on domestic violence and abuse on domestic animals would be punished and the perpetrators praised and given more laws to protect them if this was the norm.

But because they have "farm" and not "domestic, exotic or native" in front of their animal title they suffer.

We as a society really need to step back; look; and make drastic change from the current ways we live.

Please contact me for any issues with my submission.

Best regards

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