

PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA Economy and Infrastructure Committee

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Hearings begin on Domestic Animals Bill

Public hearings will commence next week on the Domestic Animals Amendment (Puppy Farms and Pet Shops) Bill 2016.

The first public hearing will be on Wednesday 9 November at 7:00 pm in the Legislative Council Committee Room at Parliament House.

The Economy and Infrastructure Committee will hear from the Municipal Association of Victoria.

Public hearings will also be held at Parliament House on 15 and 16 November.

The Bill under consideration seeks to amend the Domestic Animals Act 1994.

It seeks to regulate the number of fertile female dogs to be kept by breeding domestic animal businesses, and to further regulate the breeding of dogs and cats and the sale of dogs and cats in pet shops. It would also provide for registration of foster carers and for single use permits to sell certain animals.

The Bill also includes provisions relating to the administration and enforcement of the Domestic Animals Act.

The schedules for the hearings and more details on the inquiry are available from the Committee's website.

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