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To Whom It May Concern

Please find attached my completed supplementary paper on the proposed Stop Puppy Farming Legislation. Please also accept the following points as my submission.

My name is Tanesha Dimanopoulos. I am a dog owner (Shih Tzu since 1996) and live in [REDACTED]. I am a DogsWest Member and I am opposed to mandatory desexing on the grounds that it infringes on my civil liberties. I own only male dogs and have one sterilised and one entire dog, I do not breed but wish to keep my dog entire in order to show my dog. Showing is one of my hobbies and is important for my work/life balance. I feel the focus of your legislation is mandatory desexing and that presenting it to the public under the guise of preventing puppy farms is misleading and emotive. Dogs West have a strict Code of Ethics by which members must abide. These forbid our breeders from selling pet shops and I strongly believe that **No** animal should be sold in a pet shop.

It seems the ethics of DogsWest are stronger than those of the State Government. Should any legislation be introduced, DogsWest members should be exempt by virtue of their having to adhere to such strict standards as laid out in their Code of Ethics. DogsWest's Code of Ethics is the 'gold standard' and we need to be consulted on issues of breeding, husbandry and transport.

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