



Department of
**Primary Industries and
Regional Development**

Mr Tas Larnach
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Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
via email: RRAT.Sen@aph.gov.au

Dear Mr Larnach

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF LIVE ANIMAL EXPORTS AMENDMENT (ANIMAL WELFARE) BILL 2023

Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment on the proposed Bill to amend the *Inspector-General of Live Animal Exports Act 2019*.

Live animal export remains an important market option for several Western Australian livestock industries and meeting community and market expectations is considered critical to sustainability of this trade.

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development supports the proposed amendment to the Act which will allow the Inspector General of Live Animal Exports to deliver improvements to the accountability and transparency of live animal export that are based on sound and practical animal welfare science.

Yours sincerely

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