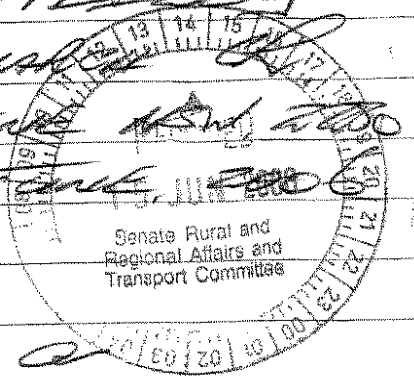


The Senate
Rural & Regional
Affairs and Transport
Legislation Committee

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Dear Mr. Chairman,

As a recreational fisherman and gun owner, I wish to protest the attempt by the Democrats Party to introduce the "National Animal Welfare Bill 2005" to Parliament in an attempt to ban recreational fishing, and hunting in Australia.

As a 61 year old Australian who fished from the age of six, and owned a gun from the age of 12, and grew up in a time when people were much closer to nature and were more realistic, I find the Democrats Parties policies to be out of touch with the vast majority of Australians.

The Democrats represent the wishes of an unrealistic minority.

Sincerely,
Ross Hedley