

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMY AND GENDER AND ECONOMIC EQUALITY Ms Leanne Castley (Chair), Ms Suzanne Orr (Deputy Chair), Mr Johnathan Davis MLA

Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22 QUESTION ON NOTICE

JOHNATHAN DAVIS MLA: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services

Ref: ACT Gambling and Racing Commission (Statement of Intent), Budget paper B, page number 116, output class 1.1

In relation to: Racing Regulation

1. The Domestic Animals (Racing Greyhounds) Amendment Act 2017 came into force three and a half years ago. What plan is there to review whether this legislation has been effective at ending the animal cruelty involved in greyhound racing?

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows

2. There are no current plans to review the *Domestic Animals Act 2000,* in relation to the *Domestic Animals (Racing Greyhounds) Amendment Act 2017.* Banning greyhound racing in the ACT is the central mechanism by which the ACT Government has sought to prevent animal cruelty involved in greyhound racing. Racing has not been allowed, nor has it occurred, in the ACT since the provisions of this amendment bill took effect. The ACT Government continues to work with greyhound owners and trainers in the ACT to ensure the wellbeing of the animals is a priority.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Economy and Gender and Economic Equality



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By the Minister for Transport and City Services, Mr Chris Steel MLA