

Re: Accountability Failure in Resource Allocation for DPIRD's Animal Welfare Program

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Dear Ms Liu,

Thank you for your correspondence dated 17 September 2025. The Committee notes you have also brought this matter to the attention of the Standing Committee on Public Administration.

Kind regards,

Committee staff



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Dear Chair and Members of the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations,

I write to bring to the Committee's attention evidence raising significant concerns about the use of public funds within the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD), specifically in relation to its animal welfare enforcement program.

Through Freedom of Information processes, DPIRD has formally confirmed (FOI2025-017) that it holds no:

- Operational policies (SOPs) to guide the efficient deployment of inspectors and resources;
- Risk assessments to manage the financial or legal liabilities arising from regulatory failure;
- Performance or outcome records, as separately established in FOI2025-008 (currently before the OIC).

Public funds are therefore being allocated to a program that has no documented procedures, no risk management framework, and no performance data. In these circumstances it is not possible to demonstrate that resources are being used efficiently, effectively, or in line with statutory purpose.

This absence of financial accountability undermines Parliament's ability to exercise oversight of program expenditure and assess value for money.

All relevant evidentiary documents are publicly archived at: <https://unseenbeings.org>.

I respectfully urge the Committee to give consideration to this evidence in order to safeguard the integrity of public resource allocation.

Yours sincerely,

Hanyu Liu