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## Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Amendment Bill 2021

Amendments made by Legislative Assembly on 10 June 2021.

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Note—It is proposed that the Assembly resolve to disagree with amendments 2, 3 and 4 of the amendments proposed, for the reasons to be stated, and that the Assembly propose instead the following amendments.

No. 1 **Prohibiting persons convicted of certain offences**

Page 5, Schedule 1. Insert after line 2—

**[13A] Section 31AB**

Insert after section 31AA—

**31AB Prohibitions for persons convicted of certain offences**

If a person is convicted of an offence against the *Crimes Act 1900*, section 79, 80, 530 or 531, the person must not—

- (a) purchase or own an animal, or
- (b) engage in work, whether paid or unpaid, involving direct contact with, or care of, an animal.

Maximum penalty—400 penalty units or imprisonment for 1 year, or both.

No. 2 **Prosecution of offences**

Page 5, Schedule 1. Insert after line 4—

**[14A] Section 34(4)**

Omit “12 months”. Insert instead “3 years”.

**[14B] Section 34(4)**

Omit “alleged to be the date on which the offence was committed”.

Insert instead “evidence of the alleged offence first came to the attention of an officer”.

No. 3 **Adoption of Code of Practice**

Page 5, Schedule 1. Insert after line 4—

**[14D] Section 34AB**

Insert after section 34A—

**34AB Code of practice for breeding dogs and cats**

- (1) The Minister must, before 31 August 2021, cause a revised version of *Animal Welfare Code of Practice – Breeding dogs and cats*, ISBN 978 0 7347 1945 4 (the *current code of practice*), to be published.

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- (2) A reference in any Act or instrument to the current code of practice is taken, on the publication of the revised version of the current code of practice, to be a reference to the revised version.