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## Amendments to the Dog Control Act 2000

My comments on the amendments; is that, I find it preferable that All dog owners, must attend an intense course on dog ownership responsibilities and also demonstrate appropriate knowledge and intent as to their responsibilities to and for their dog.

All dog owners must prove that they are able, in providing for the dogs needs, including obedience training, teaching their dog to growl and not bark and agree to obey protective restrictions of our bio-environment, to keep their dog or be permitted to care for any dog!

We must be stricter in our discipline and training of dog owners/carers.

Fining irresponsible dog owners is not good practice like intensive education, neither is fining a good preventative for dog violations!

We need to restrict the number of dogs in society also!

I am plagued by barking dogs, whereby two families of immigrants who have dogs, have failed to take appropriate care of their pet.

Council is unable to protect the community from excessive dog barking, as there is not enough accountability towards dog owners!

Kind regards

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