

## Wildlife Act Review

### Submission Comment 104:

Contributor: Individual

#### Primary interests:

- Private and/or commercial keeping, breeding, trading, displaying and/or processing of wildlife or wildlife products
- Licenses and authorisations
- Protection and conservation of wildlife and habitat

#### Comment

Dear panel,

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity to express my opinions regarding issues on Australian wildlife. In particular wildlife kept in captivity and current Victorian legislation. I am a passionate ,enthusiastic and dedicated breeder and collector of Australian native birds in captivity. Also a holder of an advanced wildlife license and a member of the accreditation program with Healesville sanctuary, Werribee and Melbourne zoo.

I feel that the following aspects need to be addressed in the new wildlife act

1/That advanced wildlife license holders are entitled to engaged in free trade with other lawful license holders within other territories of our Commonwealth provided that the birds are lawfully kept in captivity, and that we exercise our import/export application practices.

2/ There needs to be a more simplified, engaging and certainly transparent relationship between license holders and their ability to add legal captive wildlife to Victoria wildlife schedule list. Especially when other territories in our Commonwealth have the exact or similar wildlife management program as DELWP .I also strongly seek to motion that this process has a review time frame of two years. The current 10 year practice is extremely unfair and the fact. that our world is progressively changing, so is the information at hand needed to cast the most accurate and responsible decisions regarding all parties.

3/Since European settlement Australia has been in crisis mode with possibly the worst record on this planet for the extinction rate and lack of protection for threaten fauna. I strongly recommend that captive breeding programs that have been successful for the orange belly parrot ,planes wanderer and Helmut honeyeater possibly be extended to private collections where they can do their bit to help with critically endangered species under the strictest guidance of DELWP and possibly Healesville sanctuary Werribee And Melbourne zoo? There is so much more to discuss !

Thank you

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