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Dear Mr Weatherill

**Statutes Amendment (Boards and Committees – Abolition and Reform) Bill 2014**

While this Bill is mainly about the abolition of certain Government Boards and Committees, I note that as part of the reform process, that Primary Producers SA Incorporated (PPSA) is shown as replacing SA Farmers Federation Incorporated (SAFF).

As PPSA deals with cross-commodity agricultural and rural issues, this is an appropriate change for both Emergency Services and Natural Resources Management.

However in relation to the Dog Fence Act and the Dog Fence Board (Clause 62 (3)), rather than PPSA it would be more appropriate for Livestock SA Incorporated to be the relevant body. Livestock SA is now the producer organisation that covers beef cattle, goats and sheep – the main animals that the dog fence is in place to protect. It would be Livestock SA that needs to nominate members for the Dog Fence Board.

You would be aware that earlier this year, that the Government recognised Livestock SA as the organisation to administer drought projects for the pastoral region by providing State funds.

I request that this amendment to the Statutes Amendment (Boards and Committees – Abolition and Reform) Bill 2014 be made.

Yours sincerely

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