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Dear Ms Johnston *Kristie*

Thank you for your question asked in Parliament on behalf of a constituent as follows:

*My constituent asks in relation to the greyhound races on Thursday night where Jungle Boogie fell in race 4 and tumbled. My constituent asks: in the Northern Territory, any dog that falls in a race is required to have a compulsory stand-down period. Why is that not the case in Tasmania and will you look into that? Jungle Boogie raced again on Monday night, came dead last, and is clearly quite unwell from the race fall on Thursday.*

There is a policy mandating a stand-down period for dogs that have fallen in the Northern Territory, and there is currently a proposal to introduce a national rule before Greyhounds Australasia, which has not yet received sign-off.

In relation Jungle Boogie's finishing in last place on 18 May and a direct correlation to the fall sustained on 14 May is not supported by the available evidence. A mandatory stand-down period would however provide more confidence that animal welfare is an absolute priority following a race fall.

Following the fall on 14 May, Jungle Boogie was examined by the on-course veterinarian and cleared of injury. The greyhound was subsequently examined again by the on-course veterinarian prior to kennelling on 18 May and was once more cleared to race, with no injury detected.

Notwithstanding the above information, I am advised that Tasracing is committed to and looks forward to enacting the national rule of racing once it is approved. As Minister, I also support the introduction of this rule.

Thank you again for taking the time to raise these questions with me. I appreciate your constituents' interest and trust that the information I have provided has addressed the questions satisfactorily.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Jane Howlett', written in a cursive style.

Hon Jane Howlett MP  
**Minister for Racing**