

Bil Anifeiliaid Gwyllt a Sycrasau (Cymru) | Wild Animals and Circuses (Wales) Bill
WA 18

Ymateb gan : Unigolyn
Evidence from : Individual

I'm writing to object to the proposed ban of wild animals in circus. Firstly, as this is proposed on a side of ethicality, that would, in theory, eradicate this ban, as ethicality is a matter of opinion, and when the deciding board is made up of animal rights activists, the "decision" made on behalf of the UK, is in fact fully biased. A law cannot be placed on whether or not something is ethical, as it is fully a matter of individual opinion.

Secondly, this alleged ban is aimed at the use of wild animals for human entertainment. Under this you could class keeping a pet, agricultural shows, dog racing, horse racing and zoos. And so taking that into consideration, it is therefore completely derogatory and discriminatory toward circuses to aim the ban at them solely. Discrimination is an offence now being committed by the government themselves.

Finally, the time spent on this ban is ridiculous. There are 19 circus animals UK wide, and to focus this much time towards this ban is an act of stupidity. I fell victim to a sexual assault at the age of 15 by a 40 year old, it was taken to police and abandoned instantly. So surely that shows there are much more relevant issues present that aren't getting the time and consideration they deserve. Many of the animals in circuses are born in captivity and hand reared. Without the circus and their owners they wouldn't survive. So if anything in this case is going to be judged as unethical, let it be that. These people will lose their lives, income, and most importantly their animals.

Please read my argument thoroughly and take it into consideration.