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As a pet owner in Australia I believe Pet food should be labeled as a minimum the same as human food listening all ingredients including additives. Also processed petfood companies should not be allowed to sell their products at vets and give 'rewards' to vets for advocating their products. Veterinary Universities should not get kick backs from or sponsorship from processed petfood industries. I have been feeding my pets the raw meaty bone diet from the Bligh Park Pet Health Centre by Tom Lonsdale. This diet consists of 100% of unprocessed natural food. It has been instantly beneficial to their health. I have found constant opposition from vets, breeders and other professionals. All of which get free products and sell processed dog and cat food. It's a no brainer unprocessed food is better just as it is in humans. The only reason I can see for this massive resistance to unprocessed pet food and advocation for processed packaged food is a systemic brainwashing of the vets, breeders and general public over generations in Australia. You can see how sick the animals are on processed food. I think as with every product in Australia globalisation has brought in poor imports and quality has dropped to an all time low. Vets should not get kick backs or sell processed food otherwise they are influenced with their advice. Australians are very trusting and deserve better.

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