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The petition of the undersigned, calls for:

The government of British Columbia to enact legislation that would ban the sale and use of electronic/shock collars (aka e-collars) for use on domestic pets, as many other enlightened jurisdictions and countries have done. We ask that the legislation include hand held remote controlled devices, anti-bark shock collars and electronic containment fences. These devices can cause severe pain, suffering, distress and inhibit an animal's ability to learn. The abundance of independent scientific studies, the evidence and opinions of credentialed animal experts and organizations and the legitimate concern of the public collectively necessitates that our government protect our pets from the physical and psychological harm these devices can cause. Not only does the science prove electronic/shock collars can lead to further behavioural issues including aggression, endangering both pets and society at large, they are completely unnecessary. Science based training methods that employ proven learning theory are effective, humane, safe, readily available, and do not negatively compromise the health and welfare of our pets. It is illegal to use electronic/shock collars on our children and the same should be true for our pets.

Your petitioners respectfully request that the Honourable House urge the government to enact legislation that would ban the sale and use of electronic/shock collars on domestic pets, as many other enlightened jurisdictions and countries have done. Thank you.

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