

S00046 – Kurt Livesley

Hi

Regarding reptiles

Should lower risk species be exempted from licensing, such as species regulated by a code of practice?

Yes as they are common in collections today and no risk of collection from the wild.

Do you support the retention of import and export licences to monitor interstate movements of native animals?

No as it is not required, why does it matter whether they are in your state or not just as long as they are licenced and you record it in your licence book as another transaction. All reptile species are able to be kept in most states excluding Tassie and WA of course. So it doesn't matter what state the buyer or seller are in.

Do you support the retention of licensing for pet shops that sell native animals and expanding the list of species they may sell?

Yes, more of the class one species could be sold from pet shops

Should licensing also be required for persons undertaking the business of selling native animals over the internet or from their homes?

It is not a business - herpetology is a hobby 95% of keepers do not make a profit from their collections, we usually make a loss after the high cost of food, bedding, cages and electricity. We are in it for the love of the hobby not profit.