

## Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024

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Dear Sir, Madam,

I am writing to you today in regards to your proposal for the “ Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024”. I believe this bill should be postponed and discussed further as it is an extremely unfair proposal that discriminates against good citizens who happened to have a firearm licence.

First in this act we (firearm licensee ) could lose our licence just because we would be guilty by “association”, just because there is someone at work or in our direct or indirect family that has been in trouble with the police therefore we would be automatically be subject to be disqualified for being an associate of that person, even though,

- First we don't necessarily know about their past as they could be co workers as an example, or family that you don't know well.

- Second, we don't necessarily associate with them in the first place either.

- Thirdly, it isn't because we know someone that had trouble with the Police in the past that we agree with that person, nor that we would become a criminal just because we happen to know someone who had problem with the police in the past, this is the most insane and totally incoherent thing I ever heard. If we say that therefore all the families direct and indirect of a criminal should be all thrown in jail for association with them then.

Also by saying this it is extremely discriminatory as the law would suggest that because we know someone, directly or indirectly, who had trouble with the law therefore we are also criminal, this is discrimination and false accusation, right there.

Freedom of speech is also threatened here, if we (firearm Licensee) happen to disagree with a politician (government) on social media and we refuse to take that thought “post” down from the social media therefore we can then be disqualified from our firearm licence for 10 years.

That sounds very extreme, we should agree to disagree that shouldn't make us unfit to have a firearm licence. We should be allowed to have our own opinion without being penalised for our views or opinions. That alone sounds like a totalitarian law, I would have probably expect that from a country like Russia but as a “democratic” country like Australia, it sounds very extreme and very unreasonable to expect everyone in Australia to have the same views as the people in power, extreme to say the least for a democratic country to come to that extent to get approval from a government.

Prohibited Persons Order/Disqualified person, so in here we could be disqualify from our licence because we have committed a minor infraction such as parking tickets etc, which is totally not relevant, unjustified and unfair as we wouldn't need to be involved by any means into any criminal activities whatsoever to have our firearm licence suspended for 10 years, \ just because of a minor issue such a parking ticket.

The reason I have decided to write to you today is because I believe it is very unfair bill the Queensland government is trying to pass, we are firearms licensee NOT “Criminal” therefore we are asking to be treated as such, with dignity and respect, and by reading this proposal we can all see clearly that respect is certainly not on offer.

A Bill as complex as this can not be rushed and needs to be fair and equitable for all the parties involved, we can not be treated so poorly, just because there has been a lack in Queensland to act on criminals and youth criminals, just because an election is around the corner.

Laws do exist to protect good citizens against criminals.

Criminals aren't allowed to have a firearm, this new bill won't change anything for them , a criminal will still do their criminal act and they will still manage to get illegal firearms, nothing new here, although we do have laws against that. This new bill won't fix this issue.

Shooters aren't the issue here, so let's be adults and talk about it. We have the right for respect and to be treated fairly, we are asking for fairness.

Kind Regards

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