

Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024

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Sir/Ma`am,

I am contacting you to raise concerns I have in relation to the proposed Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024. In particular I am very concerned that it appears the Government is rushing this legislation through, giving the community an inappropriate amount of time to review and make comment.

Given the volume of information in the Bill, and the number of Acts directly impacted, I am requesting that the Government extend the time available for community stakeholders to review. This is currently set at a fortnight (expiring 16 May 2023) which is not nearly enough time for proper and effective community consultation and analysis, and for any submissions to be made.

While there are a number of proposals in the Bill that I have reservations about, it is the potential impact on firearms regulation that has me very concerned. Recently we have seen other States endeavor to introduce very restrictive changes to firearms regulation without appropriate community consultation which has smacked of closed-minded Government overreach and a miscuing of public sentiment. Similarly, I am concerned that the Queensland Labor Government is intending to surreptitiously introduce further restrictions to firearms regulation, and to the rights of law-abiding firearm owners, prior to the coming State Election through incremental amendments such as those proposed in this Bill.

The proposed Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024 is significant and requires appropriate community consultation and consideration before any legislation is passed. An appropriate time for review and for any submissions to be made should be a fundamental right of the community.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to your response.

Yours respectfully,
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