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From: Lachlan Campbell

Good afternoon,

I write to you to raise my upmost grievance with this legislation that will put before parliament. I have a firearm licensed under the Queensland weapons act and in my personal life have two older brothers that have or are still in the illicit drug trade. My grievance is that this legislation is so vague and open to so much interpretation that the police will see my access to firearms that I use for sport as threat even though it is already against the law to lend firearms to unlicensed persons and I have no contact with my two brothers, the police could and would use this legislation to take my license and property. I quote below the articles from the draft

S141E (2)(d) lists one of the criteria for potentially being eligible for a FPO as being “whether the individual is an associate of a recognised offender” S141E (4) states that someone is consider an associate of a recognised offender if that person

(a) has a romantic or familial relationship with the offender; or (b) associates with the offender in a way that involves seeking out or accepting the offender’s company, whether the association happens in person or in another way, including, for example, electronically. We understand this to mean that police could apply for Firearm Prohibition Orders against the spouse, children, or parents (among others) of an offender merely because of who they are related to, and not because they have done anything wrong themselves.

Thank for your time reading my submission

Regards
Lachlan Campbell