

Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024

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I do believe that the time limit of 10 business days is not ample enough for all parties that may be affected by this bill to consult on the Bill itself, given that the explanatory pages are 100 pages long. Whilst I myself fall into the category of a Law Abiding Firearm Owner and therefore believe that the groups and individuals pertaining to LAFO's deserve a longer time to digest and suggest alterations, of which some of the groups I am a part of due to the legal reasons of being in a club to support my genuine reason of both having a firearms licence and firearms on that licence, have raised some concerns with their members. I also believe that those who support victims of crime need further time to read, digest and suggest alterations of their own. As the Bill states, it is a 'Community' safety bill and as such the community as a whole deserves the right to be able to have ample time to ensure it is the right fit for the community at large. I read with some disappointment that the decision to keep to 10 days, the length of consultation, has already been reiterated. And whilst I, along with the rest of the community at large understands the need to work out the kinks of laws to ensure that the community of Queensland is safe, especially taking into account the horrendous actions of people taken in Sydney and Melbourne against civilians and the disgusting nature of the Wieambilla attacks on our dedicated men and women in blue. I believe a well thought out, well rounded and well discussed action is required to ensure that the community is safe and that the rights of the individual isn't curtailed in the process, especially those of us that are just LAFO's wanting to enjoy our sport, is part of the parliamentary democracy that us Queenslanders, let alone Australians as a whole, enjoy and are proud of.