

## Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024

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From Tobias Braxton,  
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To Whom it may concern,

I have recently become aware of a bill (Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024) that proposes concerning limitations to freedom of expression and due process. I would ask that the community consultation period be extended by at least one month to allow various community stakeholders to give their input.

I believe the a police officer or any government figure should only have the authority to order the removal of social media content that directly depicts harm to another person, or advocates for harm to another person. As the bill stands it would allow for example, the forcible removal of an image showing a person handling a suppressed rifle in New Zealand where suppressors are legal and often required at ranges. This is a gross infringement on individual freedom of expression. I would ask that the government and the opposition stop spuriously persecuting legal firearm owners in the name of community safety. While it may make some uninformed members feel safer, it will do nothing to stem the wave of youth crime. Please stop selling peoples civil liberties for ignorant votes.

I have concerns with the implementation of Firearm Prohibition Orders leading to unwarranted searches of people not under an FPO. Basic due process should still apply. Domestic Violence Orders that have been withdrawn or quashed should not lead to a license being revoked. Again, without a conviction of a violent offence, a person should not be prevented from owning firearms.

Once again, please extend the consideration period for this bill and consider amendments to address the concerns raised above.

Regards,

Tobias