

Queensland Community Safety Bill 2024

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Dear Sir.

With reference to the proposed Community Safety Bill may I take this opportunity to ask you please lobby for an extension to the consultation period before this bill is rushed through without sufficient time to consider the broader ramifications of it.

I am a licenced firearm holder and I take part in weekly competitions at my local club. North Arm Pistol Club at the Davison Range in North Arm Queensland.

Whilst I am in total and complete agreement that firearms should be held only by competent and law-abiding persons, it concerns me greatly that my licence could conceivably be revoked due to association or my right to express my personal opinions or thoughts via social media.

It is my firm belief that the current legislation is more than adequate to ensure the safety of the public at large and to provide both government and law enforcement with concise information regarding my status and the security of the firearms in my possession.

Unfortunately, I also hold the belief that even the current legislation does nothing to protect any Australian citizen from the nefarious actions of those who choose to operate outside the law, from the threat of violence or bodily harm, with the use of unlicensed firearms.

This proposed new and amended legislation will do nothing to prevent illegal gun use but will impose further constraints on a group of the voting public who are already under the strictest regulations and police scrutiny.

Please assist me and our sporting shooting fraternity in delaying the implementation of this bill to allow further discussion.

Kind regards

Ian Busby.