

Fighting Antisemitism and Keeping Guns out of the Hands of Terrorists and Criminals Amendment Bill 2026

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Made my submission as below.

Firstly I think the changes introduced by the QLD government in this bill are very sensible and address the issues at hand. I'd like to thank the QLD government for listening to the stakeholders and not just making rash decisions like other states have done.

As a firearms owner and user myself I'd like to ask that consideration be taken to remove the prohibition of the use of suppressors here in QLD. Currently our laws prohibit anyone to own or use a suppressor for any reason. Other states allow the use of them for professional feral pest controllers under permit. But they are like putting a muffler on a car. It makes the car much more pleasant to the user and those around them. In the case of suppressors there seems to be a misconception they make a firearm silent. But that is not the case. It reduces the loud noise to a safer level. For shooters like myself who shoot large numbers of feral pests and carry a rifle with me it's in our best interest to look after our hearing and the hearing of those around us. In other countries like the UK or New Zealand for example, Suppressors are able to be purchased without restrictions and shooters are actually encouraged to use them. I consider this to be a very realistic and sensible approach as they actually make a firearm safer. So I ask for consideration to be made to remove restrictions on suppressors here in QLD. I am happy to pay an application fee just like a PTA fee to own suppressors here in qld and they have to be registered to a firearm and be kept in a separate safe just like ammunition