

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

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Hello,

As a licensed firearms owner, I support most of this bill. However, my club's email states that non-citizens could still obtain a firearms licence if club membership is their "genuine reason"—a provision that, to my knowledge, applied to the father in the Bondi incident and many owners without property.

I agree that competitive shooters, primary producers, security personnel, and similar roles may need firearms access without citizenship. But target shooting club membership is often just a simple yearly fee with no real participation required—more a formality than proof of active use.

While there's no system to track Category AB activity (unlike Category H), if the bill aims to restrict licences from non-citizens without a legitimate need, this target shooting exemption requires tightening.