Question on Notice No. 307 Asked on 20 March 2024

${\bf MR}~{\bf S}~{\bf KNUTH}$ ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Queensland Weapons Licensing branch having statutory obligations to issue a weapons license renewal notice and it coming to my attention that some weapons licence holders have not received renewal notices and are having their licences cancelled—

Will the Minister investigate this issue to ensure the problem is fixed and immediately grant those who have not received licence renewal notifications an extension to renew existing licenses to avoid them having to reapply for a new licence?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that the onus remains on the weapons licence holder to have their renewal submitted prior to the expiry date according to *Weapons Act 1990* s18(1)(A).

I am further advised by the QPS that Weapons Licensing Group send out renewal packages to applicants approximately three months prior to their renewal date. A further reminder is emailed to the applicant 28 days prior to the expiration date advising their weapons licence expiry date is approaching.