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Inquiry into Legislation on proposed firearms reform

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Amendment Bill 2026:

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The bill proposes to limit the number of firearms that can be possessed and used by individuals to 5, unless certain exceptions apply. Do you support this?:

Do not support. Current legislation and regulation requires consistent application without error. If numerical limits are imposed, there will be a dramatic increase in applications for exception and applications for new licenses. This is because, they will not address criminal intent.

The bill proposes changes to the categories of the types of firearms that can be possessed and used. Do you have any views on this? :

Yes. Current linear action or button/lever release have a place in pest control, club use or hunting applications. If they are possessed by Licensed and properly vetted fit and proper persons the risk to the community for criminal intent is practically zero.

Do you support the bill's proposed prohibition on belt-fed firearms?:

This is a misleading statement and does not concur with industry terms. We do not support further restrictions on licensed persons who already go through significant vetting processes, not only once but constantly.

Do you support the bill's creation of an offence of possessing digital blueprints for the computer-aided manufacture of firearms and firearm parts?:

Not entirely. Printing of firearm parts should not be allowed unless the operator has a valid license. Again industry consultation is required because there are some parts that are non functional and on their own pose no safety risk. Also, printing functional parts of firearms in plastic will not fu

Are there any changes you would like to see made to the bill? :

removal of a waiting period for every PTA in the ACT, as all other states and territories have. Once a license holder has undertaken to abide by the conditions of the granted license, there is not sensible reason to restrict on every PTA application. As LFO are constantly vetted and responsible.

Do you support the passage of the bill by the Assembly?:

Do you have any other

No

comments about the bill you would like to share?: Any amendments should be written to consider industry practical use and custodianship. Not political.

Would you like to speak to the Committee at a public hearing?: Yes

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