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To: Todd Buttsworth

Subject: Submission to the Select Committee on Firearms Legislation and Policy

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Dear Sir.

Please accept this my submission to the **Select Committee on Firearms Legislation and Policy.** I am strongly opposed to any reduction in standards required for owning and using a firearm in Tasmania or the simplification of procedures associated with owning or licensing a firearm. The current laws in force have serviced the community well over the last twenty years or so and therefore need to be retained. I support any increase in the checks and the waiting period required to own or licence a firearm.

I am most concerned about the precedence which would be set through changing the law to make it easier to own or store a firearm and/or broadening the categories or types of firearms that can be licensed. Exemptions and special cases should especially be avoided because these become exploitable by those with ill intent. The strength of the existing success lies in its simplicity and lack of exemptions.

I ask that this strength in simplicity be preserved for the benefit of all Tasmanian.

Your respectfully Gregory Stanford