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From: Ian Hicks [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 26, 2018 1:11 PM
To: Todd Buttsworth
Subject: Select Committee on Firearms Legislation and Policy

Select Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission.

I do not support any watering down of firearms control in Australia. We have come a long way in regulating firearms use in our country. The dangers of firearms in the hands of those who should not control a firearm, are clearly evident. Any watering down of the laws passed after the Port Arthur Massacre would be totally retrograde and dangerous.

One just has to check the news regularly, if not daily, to see the effect of firearms use in the USA. We know that the US Gun Lobby and the Gun Manufacturers are raising their Ugly Heads and the Flow On effect is crossing our National Borders. We must remain strong!

We must stop this in its tracks, for the protection now and beyond, of every Australian.

We must use every tool available to us, to prevent the watering down of those laws we passed after the Port Arthur Massacre. I write this as a former Career Military Man and can clearly see the terrible potential of a poor decision now.

Yours Sincerely,
Ian S Hicks

I am asking for Partial Confidentiality, not to publish my address, email address or phone number.

Please note however, these are included below.

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