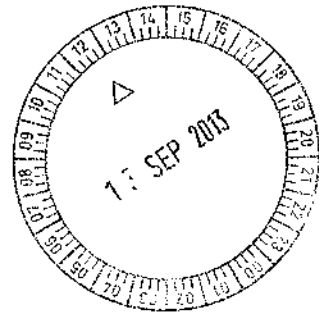


Michael Smith

September 10, 2013



The Chair  
Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation  
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In regards to: Inquiry into the Firearms Amendment Regulations 2013

Dear Chairperson,

I am writing to you to express my disappointment in the excessive price increases in firearms licensing costs.

I can understand the need for minor price increases, however, the increases range up to 147% on some of the fees. An example is the registration of an additional firearm that has risen from \$72.50 to \$169.50, which is an increase of 137%. This sort of increase is simply unjustified; especially considering this fee is as low as \$9.20 in other states (VIC).

I do not believe that any increase is justified due to our already excessive costs prior to the price increase in comparison to other states.

Sincerely,

Michael Smith