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The Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation
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Dear chairperson

I am writing to you to express my extreme 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).

An investigation into implementing an already proven system into Western Australia that has been proven to be sound and works effectively in other States of Australia, such as Victoria, would be a more cost effective use of manpower and monies that the Minister seems to be willing to commit us to paying under a 'user pays' system.

I do not believe that any increase at this time is justified due to our already excessive costs prior to the price increase in comparison to other states; especially compared to the level of service received.

Yours sincerely

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