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To; The Chair

Joint Standing Committee Delegation Legislation GPO Box A 11 Perth 6837.

From; Mark Mazza

Dear Chair Person and committee members;

I feel compelled to register my disgust at the unjustifiably excessive increases in fire arms branch charges which have been stealthily introduced without proper and due process, considering charges levied in other states and can only be attributed to over servicing of addition applications, an inefficient system that fails to meet satisfactory performance.

After receiving an adverse report from the auditor General the Police response of dramatically increasing the charges have done little to address the inconsistencies, some areas of savings could be the abandoning of the lodgement of applications through the Australia post and not having the back ground checks for already licensed fire arms owners for each and every addition which takes from 6 to 12 weeks. It is my opinion that the Police response to these massive increases can only be seen as a cynical attempt at obstructing law abiding citizens from owning or seeking to have an additional fire arm on the pretext that fire arms branch cost of doing business is not covered, why should fire arms owners be punished for the inefficient and incompetently run branch that has done nothing but complicate the whole process to the point of the branch being un able to function.

WA s fire arms branch is completely out of step with the rest of Australia and not in keeping with national fire arms laws brought in, in the 1990s.

The branch needs to be taken out of the control of police if police cannot be trusted to deal with law abiding citizens in a fair and equitable manner.

Regards Mark Mazza