

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Firearms Act 1996* and the *Firearms Regulation 2006* as follows:

(a) to exempt air rifles from certain requirements under the Firearms Act (namely, registration and the need for a permit to acquire such firearms) and to allow persons under the age of 18 years to use air rifles under supervision at approved shooting ranges without a firearms licence or permit,

(b) to clarify the operation of existing exemptions in relation to antique firearms,

(c) to make a number of other amendments of an administrative, minor or consequential nature.

The Bill also amends the *National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009* to enable unloaded firearms to be conveyed in vehicles travelling through national parks.