

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO. 5 – LEGAL AFFAIRS

INQUIRY INTO PROVISONS OF THE FIREARMS AND WEAPONS LEGISLATION (CRIMINAL USE) BILL 2020

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An Upper House committee is conducting an inquiry into the provisions of the <u>Firearms and Weapons</u> <u>Legislation Amendment (Criminal Use) Bill 2020</u>.

The Bill aims to amend the *Firearms Act 1996*, the *Weapons Prohibition Act 1998* and the Firearms Regulation 2017, to strengthen the provisions relating to illegal manufacture of firearms or prohibited weapons and to clarify police powers when conducting firearms prohibition order searches.

The Committee Chair, the Hon Robert Borsak MLC, said 'This inquiry will be an important part of the legislative process as it will examine the provisions of the Bill and take into account stakeholder and community concerns'.

Submissions are open until 14 August 2020 and can be lodged via the committee's website.

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For further information please contact Committee Chair, the Hon Robert Borsak MLC, on 9230 2573.