

FIREARMS BILL 2024

42. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the minister representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to the briefing provided to the opposition on 26 February 2024 on the Firearms Bill 2024.

- (1) Is the minister aware that the opposition was told that around 90 per cent of the recommendations in the Law Reform Commission of Western Australia's *Review of the Firearms Act 1973 (WA): Project 105 final report* will be implemented by the bill?
- (2) What are the 10 per cent of recommendations that will not be implemented?
- (3) Will the bill implement anything that is inconsistent with a recommendation made by the Law Reform Commission?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question. The following information has been provided to me by the Minister for Police.

- (1)–(2) The Firearms Bill 2024 implements, or exceeds, the majority of recommendations arising from the Law Reform Commission's report. The recommendations not included relate to silencers for non-government entities, the firearm lending scheme, airsoft and gel blaster licensing and mutual recognition of licences.
- (3) The Firearms Bill 2024 has numerical limits and does not authorise category D firearms for non-government entities.