

FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION — COMMERCIAL CARRIAGE

**699. Hon RICK MAZZA to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police:**

I refer to the recent development of specific conditions for the commercial carriage of firearms and ammunition, and the enforcement of those conditions.

- (1) Is the minister aware of the impact that these onerous conditions are having on small family-run businesses?
- (2) Is the minister aware that farmers, rural communities and remote and isolated dwellers who rely on firearms for vermin control and the humane destruction of stock are among those most severely impacted by the enforcement of these requirements?
- (3) Is the minister aware that these onerous requirements are unique to the state of Western Australia?

**Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:**

On behalf of the Minister for Police, I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(3) The minister's office met with representatives of the WA Firearm Traders Association, Hon Nigel Hallett, MLC, and the honourable member on 10 August 2016 to discuss issues relating to the commercial carriage of firearms and ammunition. As a result of that meeting, the minister requested that WA Police meet with the WA Firearm Traders Association. That meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, 18 August 2016.