

FIREARMS — LICENSING AND REGISTRY SYSTEM

1467. Hon RICK MAZZA to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police:

On 21 April 2015, the minister advised that a new licensing and registry system for firearms licensing, which includes other police licensing functions, would be completed in November 2015.

- (1) Has the new system been completed?
- (2) Is it operational?
- (3) If no to (2), when will it be operational?
- (4) How will it improve and streamline the processing of firearms applications?
- (5) What is the expected cost saving to firearm applicants under the new system?

Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:

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

- (1)–(2) No.
- (3) It is planned to be completed and operational in 2016.
- (4) The licensing and registry system will include a heightened supervisory capacity that will provide efficiencies around the allocation and assessment of firearm licence applications, which will streamline the application process.
- (5) The intent of the licensing and registry system is to increase data integrity and improve the firearm application process.