

## GUNS AMENDMENT BILL 1995

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## A BILL FOR

**AN ACT to pass the authority for regulation of prohibited guns from the Police Minister to the Commissioner for Police.**

### PREAMBLE

WHEREAS there exist in the hands of the general public in Tasmania high-powered and rapid-fire weapons with a military application;

AND WHEREAS such weapons present a danger to the wider community and have no place in a civilised society;

AND WHEREAS the Minister for Police refuses or has failed to exercise the power bestowed to him by section 4 of the *Guns Act 1991* to prohibit such weapons.

**B**E it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

### **Short title**

1—This Act may be cited as the *Guns Amendment Act 1995*.

### **Commencement**

2—This Act commences on the day it receives the Royal assent.

### **Principal Act**

3—In this Act, the *Guns Act 1991* is referred to as the Principal Act.

### **Amendment of section 4 of the Principal Act**

4—Section 4 of the Principal Act is amended:—

- (a) by omitting the word “Minister” from subsection (2) and inserting the word “Commissioner” in its place; and
- (b) by omitting subsections (4) and (5).