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MEDIA RELEASE

THE NATIONALS SUPPORT LAW-ABIDING FIREARM OWNERS

The Nationals proudly stand with law-abiding firearm owners and publicly acknowledge the fact that the National Firearms Agreement has an incredible compliance record.

In the Senate today The Nationals voted against a Greens motion that would put more restrictions on firearm owners.

In Australia there are more than one million law-abiding firearm owners. These people have purchased their firearms legally, from local law-abiding businesses.

The Nationals remind all people that these businesses are subject to a thorough screening process to ensure that our nation's world-leading gun laws are adhered to.

It is because of law-abiding store owners, shooters and industry that we have had such a small amount of breaches over two decades.

"These businesses go through thorough processes to ensure that our gun laws are adhered to," Deputy Leader of The Nationals, and sport shooter, Senator Bridget McKenzie said.

"It is clear The Greens don't support sport shooters, hunters or our elite medal winning athletes in owning a firearm."

The Nationals believe further restrictions and red tape for our hard-working, law-abiding businesses, individuals and industry will not reduce the amount of gun related crime or the use of illicit firearms by criminals.

"We must continue to work on ensuring that law-abiding sporting shooters, hunters and farmers are respected and able to continue to enjoy legally partaking in this activity," Senator McKenzie said.

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