Consultation on the Police Offences Amendment (Knives and Prohibited Weapons) Bill 2026

Submissions at Strategy and Support

To whom it concerns

I have as many others have used and will continue to use “machetes” as a tool for clearing and maintaining mountain bike(MTB) trails.
this is a very common occurrence for the youth in MTB clubs and volunteer work, which under the proposal will become illegal.

Will this proposal include “fern hooks” as machetes? There is no proper description of a machete.

Machetes can be found in sheds all over the state and some how little to no harm has been done with them, perhaps its the individual that wishes to cause harm that is the issue and perhaps enforcing current laws might be of more help than taking aim at inanimate tools?

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