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To Whom it may concern (Tasmanians/Donna Adams)

In relation to the proposed law changes involving outright banning of prohibited weapons. My opinion is that most Tasmanians have a duty of care to themselves and others and merely see knives and firearms as a tool and no more. The effect of banning such items will have no real change on criminals getting their hands on weapons.

Please consider this and revoke any law change proposed in this Amendment.

Our existing laws cover this quite well if they are enforced.

As for the banning of sale or supply to persons under the age of 18... I used a knife for bushcraft and wallaby processing from a much younger age than 18. The existing restriction on ages 16 and under purchasing knives works well as some people leave home at that age and having a knife/tool is a handy thing to have when out on your own for camping or general day to day activities.

My sister loves her leatherman multitool and has prevented her relying on others countless times after leaving home.

I believe the safe use/dangers of improper use of these "Tools" should be taught in schools and anyone who engages in criminal activity with said tools need to be charged with the full force of the existing laws.

Thank you for your time and I hope this provides a common sense approach to disregard this amendment bill.

Regards
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