



MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and
Commissioner J.V.N. (Vince) Hawkes
Chairs, Police Services Boards

FROM: Stephen Beckett
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SUBJECT: **Amendment to the *Common Sense Firearms Licensing Act***

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At the request of the Chief Firearms Office of the Ontario Provincial Police, I am sharing a communication regarding the recent amendment to the *Common Sense Firearms Licensing Act* (Bill-C42). This amendment came into force on November 30, 2017 and allows for a six-month grace period, during which time individuals who have ended a five-year license period can come into compliance with licensing requirements.

Please note, although the amendment came into force on November 30, 2017, the grace period will only apply to firearms licenses that expired on or after that date. Any licenses that expired prior to November 30, 2017 will not be given the six-month grace period.

For further details, please see the attached memo from Superintendent Dwight Peer, Chief Firearms Officer, and its accompanying explanatory note.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Deputy Minister
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Attachments