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## Media Statement

### NSW Liberals and Nationals split on gun laws

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The NSW Liberal-National Opposition needs to explain to the people of NSW where they stand on gun laws, and whether they will go to the next election committed to repealing or retaining these important reforms, after splitting on the floor of Parliament today.

The Coalition had a chance to stand united and reaffirm their support for stronger gun laws following the worst terror attack in Australia's history on Bondi Beach.

But instead, they split on the Government's motion to support the strengthened firearms laws which were passed with bipartisan backing in December.

Some Liberals backed the reforms while others, like the Member for Badgery's Creek, crossed the floor to fracture the Coalition – with a further split occurring with the Liberals and Nationals also voting differently.

With this decision, the Liberal-National coalition leave behind the legacy of bipartisan support for strong gun reform following Port Arthur Massacre in 1996.

The legislation increases oversight and minimises risk, ensuring police have the tools they need to oversee firearms in NSW, while reducing the number of guns in the community.

These laws include limits on the number of firearms for licence holders, restrictions on certain firearm types, stronger licence checks and accountability measures, and enhanced storage, compliance and oversight requirements.

The people of NSW deserve certainty when it comes to community safety

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