Police Minister Paul Henderson said he is continuing to receive positive feedback about the Government’s plans to ban commercially made slingshots.

"Only recently, Territorians again saw another spate of slingshot attacks, with thousands of dollars damage done to businesses in Darwin," Mr Henderson said.

"For too long, retailers have borne the brunt of this kind of idiotic behaviour, and victims are telling me it’s about time some action is taken.

"I was pleased to report to Parliament in August the immediate support from the business community for this move, with Warren de With of Katherine announcing he would take the things off his shelf straight away.

"The Mayor of Palmerston, Mrs Annette Burke, has also previously publicly supported a ban against slingshots."

Mr Henderson said changes made to the Weapons Control Act in August 2001 regarding slingshots did not go far enough.

"Under the current situation, anyone can still buy a commercially made slingshot – and they sell for as little as $30 – and we’ve seen all too clearly the havoc these easily-accessible weapons are being used to cause," he said.

"So often the perpetrators scurry away after wreaking damage, so the idea that police can simply apprehend these offenders just doesn’t stack up.

"By banning these weapons outright, the Government is responding to the community - and importantly, slingshot victims – saying enough is enough, and the Government is doing what we can to act against this kind of mindless vandalism."