

**Submission
No 24**

DRIVER LICENCE DISQUALIFICATION REFORM

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Greetings Committee on Law and Safety,

Our submission will try to highlight and show actual examples of a repeat offender in action and the amount of time money and effort expended by various govt agencies with little effect.

Our suggestions are basically as follows,

1: Once a repeat offender is declared or habitual offender is declared then all the normal rules that protect an individual are changed.

The Onus of Proof for further convictions should be lowered.

IE: The police can obtain evidence more easily like Private CCTV footage and witness statements can be used as evidence for a conviction.

Currently police cannot demand private CCTV footage to obtain a conviction - This needs to be changed and witnesses must state the exact date time occurrence etc of driving to help obtain a conviction.

This needs to be changed as well. It needs to be made easier for the Police.

3: Data sharing between all Govt departments needs to be made easier to allow people to see what is behind the behaviour and lifestyle that is leading to the repeat offences.

Currently all these departments seem to operate as "Data Silos" with firewalls around them. Everyone does their job - somewhat, takes their salary and goes home at night - but the problem is not solved or resolved

4: Examination of drug taking behaviour, doctor shopping, welfare fraud etc etc all needs to be examined to find out the driving forces behind the reckless behaviour. Mental health is a big question mark as well that never seems to be fully examined.

5: Examination of the Total Picture needs to be made.

6: Currently police catch the bad guys, they go to court, get let off with a fine, they never pay the fine, the Sheriff never turns up to collect the fines. System Broken - Public safety not assured - Failure of Policy - Many \$\$\$ wasted. Offenders out on bail again

7: At what point is a custodial sentence imposed ?