Submission No 9

REVIEW OF ROAD SAFETY ISSUES FOR FUTURE INQUIRY

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I'm concerned about the newest road rule which has vehicles slowing to 40kph around blue and red flashing lights. The radio ad says to decelerate rapidly to 40kph. My fear is this rule will cause crashes and possible deaths. Imagine a car following a truck on a motorway at 110, The truck brakes rapidly to 40kph the guy behind can't see why so he tries to merge with the other faster moving lane (very dangerous) or he crashes into the back of the truck. If he doesn't hit the truck the car behind him will hit. The rule is I'll considered and should be scrapped.

I had to drive on the M1yesterday afternoon, Sydney to Wyong. There was a cop on a motor bike with his light on for no reason we could see and the instant que was bloody dangerous cars all under brakes around a blind corner, the exact scenario that will claim someone, then further along an rta attending a broken down truck caused a 2 km que, then someone was pulled over and again a 2 km que. This coupled with the twin 80kph zones made the trip the most boring and dangerous I've ever seen it. There is absolutely no doubt someone will be killed . Drop this stupid bloody law now before it claims someone as it definitely will. FYI it took 1hr and 20 mins to get from The start at Pennent Hills rd to Sparks Rd. It should take 1hr.