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MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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Without a doubt the result of this review will be in favour of recent changes as its a massive cash grab by government.

I have seen a fair few mobile speed cars and seen the result of the unmarked cars nearly causing accidents themselves. I have seen drivers who weren't even speeding st all slam on the brakes as they come upon an unmarked speed camera car. A lot of drivers I have seen slam on the brakes out of panic I think which nearly creates an accident with the vehicle behind. Some of the vehicles behind have been trucks which finally it hard to stop. I have seen 2 crashes both with trucks as second vehicle so how is the camera preventing accidents while its actually causing accidents.

The fact that the hours of the cameras also being doubled again goes to prove its a cash grab and nothing else. With many people still feeling the effect of reduced hours or unemployment compounds the problem . I understand if people are speeding they need to be punished but the positioning of cameras on a downward hill where its easy to just float above the speed limit also goes to show that its a money raiser pure and simple. I rarely see a camera on a level stretch of road. They are always on hills facing down the hill.

The cameras are a fettering in themselves and the warning signs should be reinstated. If drivers are speeding and don't see the warning signs then they deserve the fine as they aren't paying attention to what's around them. The placement of cameras on hills as well should also be stopped. Its very easy to float above limit for a few seconds and this would be a reason for a private company to get as many fines as possible which can be seen from where they locate themselves that this is exactly what they are doing.

Removing the signs hasn't made it safer its actually made it more dangerous but this review won't care about that. You won't care about the financial burden of the fines either. You won't care that people are suffering enough financially without having a sneaky fine q to pay. You won't care that its causing crashes and creating multiple near misses. All you will care about is the increased revenue and you will to us it goes back into road safety. No it doesn't. All it does is buy more cameras and more hours for these cameras. I haven't seen one safety campaign about speeding so where's the revenue being spent?. Itd a cash grab .. pure and simple and now irs dzngerous