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## **MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW**

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I submit my opposition to the recent changes to the mobile speed camera program in NSW. Whilst I strongly support measures that promote and facilitate safety on our roads, I have equally strong opposition to these changes and the manner in which they were implemented. I will outline some of these below with the hope that my objections will be noted and used to review the said changes to modify them in line with public expectation and overall benefit.

Firstly- the timing of these changes was not done with due consideration for NSW drivers. There was no consultation even attempted. No attempt to persuade or educate drivers as to the supposed benefits. No long term, nationally or inter-nationally recognised research to back up the premise that un-signposted speed camera's actually reduce road accidents , injuries and fatalities. There was also no adequate consideration of the enormous and far reaching impacts these changes would most certainly have on people of low socio-economic groups.

In short I, and I believe most Australians, have come to the inevitable conclusion that these changes are a cash grab under the guise of road safety. If that were not so an extensive publicity campaign would have been launched prior to their implementation.

On a personal note, I have noticed that my attention whilst driving is now distracted somewhat by a pre-occupation with hidden cameras, increasing my stress levels and, given the accumulative effects upon large numbers of drivers, making our roads less safe.

I strongly suggest you repeal or modify the 'hidden camera' program.