MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I write in relation to the the recent changes to mobile speed camera program in NSW and make the following points.

The unmarked cameras make no immediate change to driver behaviour until the fine is recieved in the mail by then lives could have been lost. Removal of warning signs do not result in immediate slowing down of traffic.

Large perception in community and anger that the no warning signs policy is purely a revenue grab.

Drivers will be spending all the time looking at their speedometer worried about being 2km/h over the speed limit rather then the road situation. Resulting in poor driving behaviour.

Increased amount of fines results in financial distress for individuals & households struggling to recover from Covid.

The increased demerit points on drivers licences will result in more drivers without a licence. This in turn impacts businesses and the economy if drivers cannot drive to work, especially in regional areas where there is no public transport. It also could leave the driver potentially without an income leading to poorer socioeconomic circumstances.

If the no warning signs policy stays the amount of demerit points needs to be increased before loss of licence occurs.

Increasing the bracket for 1 demerit point offences should also be considered. For example, losing 3 demerit points for fines 11km/h over the speed limit is a big jump from losing 1 demerit point for being 10km/h over the speed limit.

Trust the above points will be given due consideration, we don't want NSW becoming a police state like Victoria is.

A free and open economy which isn't hampered by large amounts of fines and infringement notices will lead to happier and more prosperous people in our state.

Kind Regards