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MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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I have driven in many different countries where speed limits were implemented in various ways. If you take Northern Europe for example - there are many stationary road speed cameras in the most speed zones. Although drivers know and are warned about the speed camera presence, even then there are still those that get fined for speeding.

The NSW decision to have unmarked mobile speed cameras and now even more of them is a way to increase police revenue and disable public from driving - not the safety of the roads. Drivers that made a mistake will suffer, drivers that sped on purpose will not learn their lesson, but will lose their jobs, become disabled if their life depends on their license... This creates entire chain of unwanted events. Perhaps if NSW wants to increase the number of mobile speed cameras, they should also change the rules of fines? Reduce fines? Not use the demerit system but have higher fines? Use progressive fines? Currently it is not fair that traps for rule breaking drivers are improving and increasing, but the fine system is not being amended or developed.

Currently it seems that it is a blatant revenue generating method, however the safety of the road is actually not getting any better. And by the way - where are the statistics or results on safety increase outweighing the revenue? Because that is the aim, right? If the earlier is not available, then where and how is the collected revenue being used? Cheaper petrol? Less road tax? Investment in better new driver preparation?

If police need to collect their money - they would do sooo much better job if they were issuing fines to the drivers that do not turn on lights while driving after sunset! There are so many of such and they are worse than speeding and drunk driving. They don't see what's ahead, others don't see them either....

Thanks