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MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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Re: Inquiry into mobile speed camera enforcement program.

Dear Sir/Madam.

It's with the best intentions, I am sure, the government is looking to reduce the sometimes truly horrible effects excess speed has on our community using our roads.

Every year, it is well known and appreciated that our roads get better and technology in cars make driving safer.

However there is a rising level of contempt for government growing in the community over the misuse of radar mobile camera technology in the name of keeping us all safe from ourselves.

Unfortunately, from the outside looking in, it's seems to be a clear business revenue decision, with the governments best interest to remove all speed camera warning signage.

Couple this with the sometimes exteeem lengths speed camera vehicles have been disguised to look like everyday suburban vehicles, and hiding vehicles not in known black spots, but easy target locations.

Hard and fast reveune raising appears to be the only motive. This is fast eroding any trust in the governments years of road safety messaging on the greater community.

The percentage increase in revenue year on year speaks for itself. The community at large does not buy into the road safety spin placed on these numbers from marketing.

I urge the government to stop putting a dollar on everything, show some transparency and overall, show some common respect.

Bring back signage, mark speed camera vehicles as what they are.

Going out of the way to be deceitful is not helping reduce the very thing it was originally intended to do.

The outcome is simply alienating the community and softening the overall road safety message.