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Mr Tim Mills  
Inquiry Secretary  
Parliament House

Dear Tim

I would like to add my say to the enquiry that you are undertaking re road safety.

Firstly we have far too many idiots on our roads and they need to be taken off or at least slowed down. I travel between 60,000 and 70,000 kms per year and have done so for at least 8 years and haven't lost any points. The number of idiots that need to overtake you and then push their way in front of you so they can take the exit ramp 100m further down the road or go flying past you only for me to be 1 or 2 car lengths behind them at the next set of traffic lights is ridiculous. We need to have a dedicated highway patrol like they do in Victoria and also better roads. I know that this all costs money and the government has limited funds. The best way to fund this without increasing taxes is

1. Double the fines and demerit points and double demerit points on long weekends and holiday periods is the Christmas / new year period.
2. Introduce red light cameras on the worst intersections to start with. When my light goes green I don't go without first checking if an idiot is rushing to beat the red light.
3. Bring back the mobile speed cameras. The ones in cars or trailers on the side of the road anywhere.

As the revenue increases from these fines use that money to fund more red light cameras, speed cameras and dedicated highway patrol officers. Eventually the government will be able to give grants to councils for them to upgrade their worst roads.

I know that this will be unpopular with a lot of the population and there will be a huge outcry but I bet my bottom dollar that the ones who complain the loudest that it is just revenue raising will be the main law breakers. What gives them the right to put our lives at risk? The government MUST in their advertising point this out and somehow in the slogan emphasise the fact that it is purely voluntary. The government are not forcing you to contribute. If you don't want to contribute then don't break the law and just enjoy the benefits of better roads, safer driving conditions and less idiots on the roads with more police about.

Another important point is for the public to have complete faith that all funds raised in the above way goes to where it should and NOT end up in general revenue so it MUST be audited by an independent organisation like the RACT ie a non-government organisation and the report is available for the public to view should they wish. Also pre covid I spent a couple of weeks in Vic working for the company over there. The amount of road works taking place was incredible, however, in my travels I would come across huge sections of road works where at the start would be Hugh Signs saying "Your Speeding Fines at Work ". KEEP the public informed, let them see that it isn't going into general revenue.

Also due to the type of work that I am in I would appreciate that you do don use my name.

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