

Traffic Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2015

Explanatory notes for SL 2015 No. 13

made under the

Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995

General Outline

Short title

Traffic Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2015

Authorising law

Section 171 of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*

Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The *Traffic Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2015* will approve a number of new speed camera devices for use in Queensland.

These devices will form part of the broader Camera Detected Offence Program which is provided for in the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995* and is jointly administered by the Queensland Police Service and the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

Brisbane's Legacy Way tunnel will link the Western Freeway with the Inner City Bypass and is scheduled to open to traffic later in 2015. As part of a range of measures to ensure safety in the tunnel, a number of speed cameras will be installed to detect vehicles exceeding the speed limit.

The amendments will approve new speed camera devices for use in the tunnel and elsewhere in Queensland.

Achievement of policy objectives

Amendments to the *Traffic Regulation 1962* will approve new speed camera devices for use in Queensland and will insert or amend 'datablocks' which provide an explanation of the information that appears on images generated by those devices.

Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law

The amendments are consistent with the objectives of the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995* and, in particular, with the objective of providing a scheme for managing the use of the State's roads that will improve road safety.

Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation

The amendment regulation is not inconsistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

Benefits and costs of implementation

The approval of new speed camera devices for use in Queensland will benefit all road users by contributing to road safety.

Consistency with fundamental legislative principles

The amendments are consistent with fundamental legislative principles.

Consultation

Consultation was undertaken with the Department of the Premier and Cabinet, Queensland Treasury, the Department of Justice and Attorney-General, the Queensland Police Service and the Office of Best Practice Regulation, Queensland Competition Authority.

All parties consulted agree with the proposed amendments. The Office of Best Practice Regulation advised that a Regulatory Impact Statement is not required because the amendments are machinery in nature and relate to police powers and administration.