

## Youth Justice (Electronic Monitoring) Amendment Bill 2025

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GPS Trakers should be rolled out, but you have to catch them first. Also mandatory sentences should be considered. We were broken into on 4 December 2025. Having cased out our house a fortnight earlier when one of a number of stolen cars were apprehended (in [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ) and an attempted invasion took place, they came back at about 4 am on 4 December. They cut out screens and removed louvers. They took 3 phones, ipad, wallet and money. We did call the police immediately it was discovered. A forensic officer came about 9 am. An hour after the officer left we discovered, via Find my Phone on my partner's phone, the address where the car had been which was reported immediately. We hear nothing and at 8.30 pm my son and grandson went to where the car appeared to be. They found it and called the police who came and I drove out with the spare key. The car was locked in a locked up garage and in the morning the forensic team arrived and examined the car. My iphone was found dropped on the floor which was returned to me. A day or so later I looked and found an address of where my ipad was. This was reported to police. There has been absolutely no feedback. A search of the case number shows that the case is now closed. My car is now with my insurer. I have run out of paid car hire and have had to go to considerable expense repairing and replacing windows, etc. It is extremely stressful particularly when cameras down the street pick up these young people often and they are armed. We are pleased that we did not disturb them because they would probably have injured us. You promised that there would be consideration for the victims of these crimes but it is not happening. I have spoken to numerous victims who have had their cars stolen and they report the same treatment, just nothing happens at all. There is absolutely no feedback.

I also suggest that Magistrates and Judges should be educated by having exposure to victims of these crimes so that they get a clear idea of the chaos and distress they cause. The Chief of the District and the Chief Magistrate should be encouraged to conduct such forums or it should be included in sessions when they go to the Judges' Conferences and also during the induction of new members of the judiciary.