Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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In brief:

There are already penalties for misuse of e-scooters and it is patently clear to many people that those penalties are not working. Rather than imposing fines upon those who break the laws, the obvious answer is to impound the devices on the spot and then require a fine to be paid to get the machines back.

This would apply to both private scooters and hired ones. In the latter case, the hirer would have to explain to the hire company where the scooter is and pay any costs, over and above the fines, to them.

This would only have to happen a few times before the message became well known and the problem would be largely diminished.

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