

Inquiry into e-mobility safety and use in Queensland

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To The Committee Members. My recommendation to the committee is that 1. E-scooters be banned from riding on footpaths. The riders of e-scooters terrorize pedestrians. I am scarred for my life following an incident in the city and have decided not to visit the city again as i do not feel safe due to the abundance of e-scooters. 2. e-bikes and e-scooters (if they remain legal) must be registered and pay CTP insurance. They are a motorized vehicle and as such should be registered in the same way as is required for a moped & motor bike. 3. If a pedestrian is injured in a collision with these motorised vehicles, they have to pay for their own medical bills and have no access to compensation. Even more tragic is the instances when innocent pedestrians are killed by these motorised vehicles; they loose their lives and their families have access to compensation. Hence the must be registered. 4. I am a BCC Bus Operator and have had instances of e-scooters playing chicken with my bus by riding head on towards me and darting onto the payment at the last moment; putting the safety of my passengers, the bus and myself as risk. With no registration, I cannot report the offender to the Queensland Police. Hence registration is required. 5. I support calls by the medical staff at public hospitals for restricting / legislating the use of these motorized vehicles as the accidents and injuries caused by these motorized vehicles are unnecessarily diverting the resources of public hospitals