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Committee Secretary Transport and Resources Committee Parliament House George Street Brisbane Qld 4000

Email: trc@parliament.qld.gov.au

Dear Transport and Resources Committee,

## RE: Transport Legislation (Road Safety and Other Matters) Amendment Bill 2022

The RACQ thanks the Committee for the opportunity to make a submission on the *Transport Legislation (Road Safety and Other Matters) Amendment Bill 2022,* which we will refer to as the Bill in this letter.

RACQ is in broad support of the Bill and our comments on the changes mentioned in the Bill are as follows:

**Camera Detected Offences** – The changes to the wording ('crash' replacing 'accident') and the additional initiatives that camera detected offence revenue can be used for (collaborating with, or otherwise actively assisting, organisations and local communities to develop and implement safer practices, enabling vulnerable road users to participate in programs designed to improve their safety on the road, and proactively researching innovative solutions to existing or emerging problems) are all supported by RACQ. We believe that the Government also needs to consider increasing resourcing so that an increased on-road police patrol presence to better deter and detect offenders 'anytime, anywhere' can be achieved.

Legal protections for health professionals who report on fitness to drive for non-Queensland driver licence holders – RACQ supports this change and would like to take this opportunity to mention to the Committee that we have also previously advocated for mandatory medical condition reporting by health professionals that have assessed an individual's fitness to drive and found that they are unsafe. This is an additional step that could further improve road safety.

**Evidentiary provisions for vehicle standards related prosecutions** – The changes are reasonable, and likely to improve efficiency.

Increasing the range of allowable MMDs – The changes are acceptable and improve access to more choice in mobility devices for people who need them. While some may be capable of 15km/h, if the device provides it and the rider knows what speed the device is travelling, and keep it to 10km/h or less, the change is not expected to result in additional crash or injury risk.

Updating the definition of GVM (Gross Vehicle Mass) – This clarification is supported.



Shelf life of digital photos taken when a person is less than 15 years of age – RACQ has identified no concerns with this change.

Clarify accommodation works may be undertaken as a result of a rail project providing certainty and consistency for landowners and occupiers and all transport infrastructure projects – RACQ has identified no concerns with this change.

Amendment of the Housing Legislation Amendment Act 2021 – RACQ is unable to comment on this change.

We thank you again for the opportunity to provide our feedback and for your work in improving road safety in Queensland. Should you wish to discuss this correspondence further, please contact me at:

Yours sincerely,

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