



Speech By  
**Hon. Mark Ryan**


**MEMBER FOR MORAYFIELD**

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**MOTION**

**Referral to Transport and Resources Committee**

 **Hon. MT RYAN** (Morayfield—ALP) (Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister for Fire and Emergency Services) (10.13 am), by leave, without notice: I move—

1. That the Transport and Resources Committee inquire into and report to the Legislative Assembly on:
  - (a) options to reduce or prevent vehicles being used illegally or dangerously on Queensland roads, including vehicle engine immobilisation technology, non-technology options, operational considerations or other measures;
  - (b) lessons learned from other jurisdictions, particularly regarding the implementation of vehicle engine immobilisation technology to the existing vehicle fleet;
  - (c) the Commonwealth's role in relation to vehicle standards and safety, and measures the Commonwealth could take, including requiring all new vehicles to be fitted with remote engine immobilisation technology;
  - (d) the effectiveness of any proposed measures in improving road safety, preventing crime and assisting police in operational matters;
  - (e) a recommended framework for legislative, policy and operational implementation of any proposed measures;
  - (f) the benefit to and role of insurers in supporting any recommended measures;
  - (g) options to improve vehicle standards and safety in Queensland, including in relation to the:
    - (i) current Australian vehicle design rules;
    - (ii) inspection regime for registered vehicles;
    - (iii) pre-sale certification scheme, including measures to reduce fraud and improve consumer safety;
    - (iv) management of written-off vehicles and 're-birthing';
    - (v) after-market vehicle modification framework, including achieving consistency to ensure best alignment with other Australian jurisdictions; and
2. That the committee report to the Legislative Assembly within six months.

In speaking briefly to the motion, this is something for which Ian Leavers from the Queensland Police Union has been advocating for some time and I am personally a very strong supporter of it as well. This government has led the charge at ministerial council meetings of federal and state lawmakers in Canberra on this topic. We put remote vehicle immobilisers on the national agenda. This inquiry now pushes consideration of this possibility to the next level. It is part of our plan to address youth crime from every angle: better technology, more resources, tougher laws.

Question put—That the motion be agreed to.

Motion agreed to.