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Police Resources

 **Hon. MT RYAN** (Morayfield—ALP) (Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister for Fire and Emergency Services) (9.49 am): This government is committed to providing Queensland police with the best, most up-to-date tools and technology that they need to do their jobs and keep Queenslanders safe. From integrated load-bearing ballistic vests, high-tech body worn cameras with livestream capabilities and the new model tasers, this government has a strong track record when it comes to providing the very best operational tools and technologies to our dedicated police. Yet again we are delivering for the Queensland Police Service. Today I announce that over the next two years it is expected that 100 per cent of the Queensland Police Service's operational SUV and sedan fleet will be high-tech hybrid vehicles. Not only are we committed to giving our police the best technology on the market but so too are we committed to taking action to protect our environment to reduce the carbon footprint and lower emissions.

As everyone in this House knows, this government is powering towards green, clean renewable energy, with the Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan outlining a clear path forward, and I have two copies of the plan in my desk, Mr Speaker, in case you want to read it again. As a government we have committed to a new renewable energy target of 70 per cent by 2032 and 80 per cent by 2035. The Queensland Police Service is leading the way when it comes to hybrid vehicles. I am proud to announce that we are almost three-quarters of the way there, with a remarkable 71 per cent of police sedans and SUVs now low-emission hybrid vehicles. The Queensland Police Service collectively travels an astonishing 77 million kilometres per year by road. That is the equivalent of travelling around the world over 1,900 times. While it is extremely important that these cars do what any traditional police car has previously done, I am very proud that the Queensland Police Service is also doing its part to offset emissions and reduce the carbon footprint for the Queensland government.