

**Question on Notice
No. 915
Asked on 19 August 2004**

MRS SCOTT asked the Minister for Police and Corrective Services (MS SPENCE) –

QUESTION

With reference to the Government's hooning legislation -

- (1) What figures are now available State wide for vehicles being seized for first, second and third offences?
- (2) What are the figures for the Logan district?
- (3) Is there evidence to suggest there are fewer complaints from the public regarding hoons as a result of this legislation?

ANSWER

I thank the member for her question and note her interest in Queensland road safety.

Queensland's "anti-hoon legislation" commenced on 4 November 2002. From this time to 31 July 2004 a total of 1,438 vehicles have been confiscated for a first offence.

Over this same period, 18 offenders have been detected committing such offences on a second occasion.

Three offenders to date have committed a third offence of this nature.

Within the Logan Police District, a total of 147 vehicles have been confiscated due to the commission of a first offence. No second or third offences have been detected to date from within the Logan Police District.

On 1 July 2000, the Queensland Police Service implemented an innovative state-wide traffic complaints system. This system acts as a management and intelligence system for the recording of complaints made by the public against road users.

Data from this system indicates that from 1 January 2003 to 31 July 2003 a total of 846 complaints have been made by the public concerning "hooning" type anti-social driving behaviour. This represents a 21% reduction in public complaints of this nature compared to the comparative period in 2004 where 672 such complaints were reported.

The success of the Government's "anti-hoon legislation" is also further reinforced by the low number of recidivist offenders.

