

Question on Notice

No. 1030

Asked on 12 September 2023

DR M ROBINSON ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the review being undertaken into the incorrect issuance of double demerit points for seatbelt offences—

Will the Minister advise (a) who will be undertaking the review (including any independent oversight), (b) the terms of reference for any review and (c) the date that the review is due to be completed?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Oodgeroo for the question.

The *Queensland Road Safety Strategy 2022–31* commits to set Queenslanders on a path towards the Department of Transport and Main Roads' (TMR) vision of zero road fatalities and serious injuries by 2050. The Camera Detected Offence Program (CDOP)—jointly managed by TMR, Queensland Police Service and Queensland Treasury's Queensland Revenue Office—is an integral part of managing the implementation of the road safety program in Queensland, funding prioritised behavioural interventions and infrastructure programs and initiatives.

'Fatal Five' behaviours—drink and drug driving, distraction and inattention, speeding, fatigue and failure to wear a seat belt—are known to be the major behavioural contributory factors to road trauma. The addition of mobile phones and seatbelt offences to CDOP in late 2021 was designed to reduce fatalities caused specifically by two of the Fatal Five: distraction (by mobile phones) and failure to wear a seatbelt by utilising cameras to detect illegal driving behaviour and issue infringement notices. CDOP also includes detection of speed offences, driving unregistered or unlicensed and failure to stop at red lights.

- (a) Following a formal procurement process, in accordance with the Queensland Government's *Queensland Procurement Policy 2023*, PinnacleQM Pty Ltd (ABN 68 168 044 728) was engaged.
- (b) PinnacleQM Pty Ltd has been engaged to undertake an independent review to understand the cause of the incorrect system configuration that resulted in the incorrect application of double demerit points for passenger seatbelt offences captured by the cameras between 1 November 2021 and 31 August 2023.
- (c) The final report for the independent review on the CDOP infringements is expected to be issued to the Director-General of TMR in the coming months.