

Question on Notice

No. 81

Asked on 19 February 2025

MR M BERKMAN ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON B MICKELBERG)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the AI auto-detection camera technology used to identify seatbelt infringements on Queensland roads—

Will the Minister advise (a) what was the rate of false positives and false negatives in accuracy testing data of the automated system supplied to the government, and what proportion of fines issued using the technology are contested, and contested successfully, and do these figures conform, (b) what is this government's policy and justification for imposing such a substantial fine for incorrectly wearing a seatbelt and (c) does the department have oversight or input into 'business rules' which are used by the officers within Queensland Revenue Office to adjudicate whether an offence has occurred, and if so, what are these rules?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

Cameras capable of detecting front seat (driver and passenger) seatbelt non-compliance became operational in Queensland in 2021 under the former Government. The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has a contract with a camera supplier to deploy fixed and mobile cameras as well as to undertake automated artificial intelligence classification of images and initial human review for accuracy.

TMR no longer holds or can share procedures associated with camera-detected seatbelt enforcement, and these matters are best referred to the Honourable David Janetzki MP, Treasurer, Minister for Energy and the Minister for Home Ownership.