

Dear Miles,

**RE: Liberal Democrats Support of the Aims of 4WD Queensland**

It gives me great pleasure to provide this letter of support to you and to Four Wheel Drive Queensland. The Liberal Democrats have been supportive of Australian motorists since our inception as a party in 2001 – especially those motoring enthusiasts who derive significant utility and enjoyment from modifying their vehicles to suit their own purposes. It is the opinion of the Liberal Democrats that Australian motoring enthusiasts have a right to do as they please with their own property, including modifying the performance, appearance and handling characteristics of any motor vehicles that they own. The Liberal Democrats believe the onus of proof should be on the government to demonstrate that a particular modification renders a particular vehicle unsafe rather than on the motoring enthusiast to prove that their modifications do not render vehicles unsafe.

The Liberal Democrats are pleased to support Four Wheel Drive Queensland in the following aims:

- Amend the federal Road “Vehicle Standards Act 2018” (replaces the Motor Vehicle Standards Act 1989) to allow “Mutual Recognition” of all individual state engineering, approved certifiers and certification schemes, to be recognised and accepted by all state registration authorities;
- Establish a National Vehicle Modification and Certification Program for in-service registered passenger vehicles as recommended, to be implemented federally and in parallel with ADRs; and
- Ensure industry and community engagement is a key basis for the Vehicle Modification Framework.

The Liberal Democrats are Australia’s only libertarian party. We are committed to reducing regulatory and compliance burdens, lowering taxes and increasing the liberty of all Australians.

**Yours sincerely**



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National President



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QLD State President



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QLD State Executive