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Dear Miles

## **Vehicle Modification Legislation**

The Western Australia Party is happy to endorse this legislation as it is vital for safety and design of cars for the local market from either overseas or domestic automobile manufacturers. Consistency and easy to understand legislation is the key.

With the sad and irresponsible demise of the Australian car manufacturing industry, it is important that Australia maintains an after-market car industry to support innovation and maintain expertise in vehicle technologies.

The standardisation or alignment of vehicle modification legislation across the states will facilitate the growth of the after-market car industry across Australia and allow modified vehicles to be registered in any state without further inspections or costs.

The Australian Design Rules (ADR) are already a recognised national standard for certifying new vehicles being sold to the Australia market. Allowing fully engineered and certified vehicle modifications to be undertaken directly against the ADRs allows current in-service vehicles to benefit from the same types of modifications which are only generally allowed on new vehicles, under the Second Stage Manufacturer approval – federal and state standards should also harmonise where possible.

The Western Australian Party supports the alignment of vehicle modification legislation across Australia, including certified modifications directly against the ADRs for in-service vehicles.

This is vital for safety for Australian consumers and drivers, passengers and pedestrians.

We look forward to working in with you.

Yours sincerely,

  
Julie Matheson, Party Convenor