



Parliamentary National Party of Australia (WA)

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Dear Mr Brennan

PRE-ELECTION REQUESTS TO CHANGE VEHICLE MODIFICATION STANDARDS

Thank you for your correspondence dated 12 September 2020 regarding the need for national alignment of vehicle modification standards. I apologise for the delay in responding.

The misalignment between Federal and State is an ongoing challenge that impacts numerous policy areas, costing individuals and businesses time and money.

With specific reference to road and vehicle standards, it is currently the responsibility of each State to regulate the safety of vehicles travelling on their road networks - maintenance and construction of which are funded directly from their State Budgets, in many case with assistance from the Federal Government. This can result in additional standards and regulations enforced by States and Territories.


The Nationals WA support red-tape reduction and reducing the regulatory burdens placed on individuals and businesses. As such, we support the establishment of a national working group with the goal of seeking alignment wherever possible and without compromising vehicle safety and road safety. Consultation between jurisdictions as well as involvement with key stakeholders and the community will be critical to the success of this process.

As a side, The Nationals WA played a critical role in a recent 12-month reprieve given to classic and vintage vehicle owners with regard to the Vintage/Veteran (404) scheme. Our Parliamentary team actively campaigned on behalf of vintage and classic car owners, clubs and enthusiasts. I have enclosed a recent letter of

correspondence from party Leader to the Secretary of Vintage Automobile Association of WA. Similar letters have been sent to stakeholders that enquired with our MPs on the same issue in recent months.

Other policies and election commitments made by The Nationals WA are available for you and your members to view online at www.nationalswa.com.

Yours sincerely



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