PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO. 6 – TRANSPORT AND THE ARTS

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INQUIRY INTO USE OF E-SCOOTERS, E-BIKES AND RELATED MOBILITY OPTIONS

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An Upper House inquiry has been established into the use of e-scooters, e-bikes and related mobility options.

Ms Cate Faehrmann, Chair of Portfolio Committee No. 6 – Transport and the Arts, stated: 'This inquiry will review the regulatory and policy measures in place for the use of e-scooters, e-bikes (including shared schemes), and related mobility options to enhance mobility, the customer experience, and safety for users and the broader community.'

Ms Faehrmann continued: 'In particular, the committee will examine the government's role in enabling and encouraging safe electrified active transport options and improving the regulatory framework to ensure safer outcomes for riders and users of e-mobility devices'.

'In addition, the inquiry will consider the extent of e-mobility's community benefits, and best practice in other Australian and international jurisdictions', said Ms Faehrmann.

The committee welcomes users of e-scooters, e-bikes and other mobility devices, as well other interested stakeholders and members of the community to contribute to the inquiry.

Have your say

Contributions to the inquiry can be made on the <u>inquiry website</u>, including by lodging a submission or completing an <u>online questionnaire</u>. The closing date for both submissions and the online questionnaire is **18 August 2024**.

Further information about the inquiry, including the full terms of reference, is available on the committee's website.

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