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

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My background, experience and training add some credit to my submission. I was in emergency services for 34 years. During that time, I spent 17 years at a heavy or primary rescue station and 14 years as a senior officer. I have also undertaken a number of advanced driving courses.

My submission today is related to ebikes particularly the type which can be changed to self propelled by mearly entering a code from your mobile. These bikes are capable of reaching speeds in excess of 50 klms per hour. When purchased they are told that they can use this function on private land only however it seem that this function has become the means tis the norm while riding these electric motor bikes and this is dangerous.

Police seem to be chosing not to get involved and allow these bikes to be illegally ridden. It is possible they are waiting for some direction from government.

I have seen children as young as 10 with a pillion passenger travelling at top speed ,young girls tripling on these bikes at night , bikes weaving between pedestrians at speed it is only a matter of time before someone is severely injured or killed.

The sellers of these bikes are using a grey area of legislation to get around the fact that these are not bikes but electric motor bikes which need to be registered and ridden by a licensed driver similar to the electric delivery bikes used by Australia post which by the way only do 45 klm per hour.

This matter needs to be dealt with quickly before someone is hurt.

Thank you