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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3907-23, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Trevor Watts MP, Member for Toowoomba North on 22 August 2023 regarding Queensland's roadworthy system.

The Approved Inspection Station (AIS) scheme is a core component of Queensland's road safety system, with AIS operators providing an essential service by keeping unsafe vehicles off Queensland roads. There is, however, an opportunity to ensure that the standard of this service is consistent across the State and meets the needs of the motoring community. The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR)—as the administering authority of the scheme—has an obligation to ensure this is the case through the application of accreditation requirements, continuous compliance monitoring and continuous improvement of the scheme.

Unfortunately, analysis of compliance audit data between 2015 and 2022 shows that there is an unacceptable failure rate.

Any regulatory amendments required to implement changes to the AIS scheme to address the audit failure rate will be subject to standard government approval processes, including consultation with industry and the publication of impact assessment documents on TMR's website.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', with a long, sweeping tail stroke.

MARK BAILEY MP
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