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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 20 May 2019 relating to petition 3039-18 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly about retaining the current law as it relates to the compulsory wearing of bicycle helmets.

I appreciate the petitioners' concerns and asked the Queensland Police Service (QPS) to investigate this matter.

I am advised that Sergeant Sherryn Klump of the QPS Road Policing Command spoke with the Principal Petitioner, Ms Josephine Garmeister, on 10 June and discussed this matter.

I am further advised that Sergeant Klump explained that there are no proposed amendments to the road rules relating to the wearing of bicycle helmets. It is recognized that helmets save lives by reducing the number and severity of injuries when worn. The QPS and the Road Policing Command are committed to keeping the community safe, identifying offences and taking enforcement action when appropriate.

Members of the public are encouraged to contact their local Police Station or Road Policing Unit in relation to enforcement issues in their local area.

Thank you for raising this matter with me.

Yours sincerely

The Honourable Mark Ryan MP

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