

Having worked in the automotive industry for 27 years I have seen a growing number of used imported vehicles that clearly do not meet the requirements for compliance.

It would appear that there are 'loop holes' in the legislation and too many unscrupulous operators take advantage of the lack of enforcement powers.

This has a negative effect on the industry and provides unsuspecting consumers with an inferior vehicle.

RAWS System:

The legislation currently has insufficient powers to enable the RAWS to be enforced and function as it was originally intended.

The review of the MVSA must ensure adequate enforcement powers are included in the legislation.

I would like to see:

Targeting state and federal government resources to ensure the imported vehicles meet the safety standard.

Ensure all states have the same regulations regarding registration of imported vehicles.

Adequate policing & inspection of ALL vehicles with particular attention paid to the true kilometre reading of the vehicle before it is registered.

Change the existing system of RAWS to allow only RAWS to import used vehicles:

Remove SEVS and allow any vehicle not supplied new to the Australian market, be allowed to be imported but must be more than 3 years old and no more than 10 years old.

Pre 1989 vehicles: allow importation but having stricter inspections prior to first registration.

Allow Left hand drive vehicles to be imported & remain Left hand drive

I do not believe the safety of modern vehicles can possibly be maintained if they have been converted. I question if items such as SRS airbags would correctly operate in a Left hand drive to Right hand drive converted vehicle.

With a large increase of the number of bicycles being used on the road, some better legislation and basic safety standard of lighting is needed, bicycle lighting is currently dangerous with a mix of coloured led lights, flashing or strobe led lights being seen.

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