

[REDACTED]

---

**From:** Inquiry into Overtaking Bicycles POV eSubmission Form  
<cso@parliament.vic.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Sunday, 20 March 2016 5:07 PM  
**To:** LCLC  
**Subject:** New Submission to Inquiry into the Road Safety Road Rules 2009 (Overtaking Bicycles) Bill 2015

Inquiry Name: Inquiry into the Road Safety Road Rules 2009 (Overtaking Bicycles) Bill 2015

Mr Peter Jones  
[REDACTED]

Secretary  
Geelong Touring Cyclists Inc.  
[REDACTED]

**SUBMISSION CONTENT:**

--

“The members of Geelong Touring Cyclists Inc. support the Victorian Government passing a law that requires a safe passing distance for cars and trucks overtaking bicycles. The passing of such a law will reinforce the fact in the minds of all road users that bicycles are legitimate road users and should be respected as such so we can all share the road safely.

Provision of such a law, which must be accompanied by an education program, will make bike riding safer and a natural and popular way to get around. This will mean better health, less congestion on our roads and less pollution.

We agree with the Committee’s decision to look at the examples of Queensland, ACT and Tasmania where safe passing laws have been introduced, or are being trialled, and how to run a public education campaign about the rule change. An education campaign is more effective when it is wide spread and informs drivers of a new road rule.

All of society are in this together. There is no ‘us’ and ‘them’, safe passing distance laws will make our roads safer for everyone. “

--

File1:

File2:

File3: