

POLICE - SPEEDING - MOTORCYCLISTS IDENTIFIED BY DIGITAL VIDEO CAMERA

3270. Hon Nigel Hallett to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

How much did it cost to the State Government to develop the new speed trap designed to catch motorcycles by photographing them from behind?

Hon JON FORD replied:

The Western Australia Police advises in response to concerns for public safety caused by speeding motorcyclists that a digital video camera is used as motorcycles do not have a front registration plate and previously have not been able to be identified. There have been motorcyclists who have taken advantage of knowing they couldn't be identified by speed camera and taken dangerous risks with excessive speed, endangering their lives and the lives of other road users. As a deterrent and enforcement mechanism the Western Australia Police purchased a digital video camera at a cost of \$6,092.00.