RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE - SELECT COMMITTEE ON PERSONAL CHOICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY, INQUIRY ON PERSONAL CHOICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

To the chairman: SELECT COMMITTEE ON PERSONAL CHOICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY, INQUIRY ON PERSONAL CHOICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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The CHAIRMAN: Then I come back. How frequently is in-principle approval given to the same vehicle that is then not approved when the engineering correct is handed to the department?

Mr Hosie: I can honestly say I have not collated those statistics, but I would think it is probably in the order of five per cent.

The CHAIRMAN: Could more accurate information be provide on notice?

Mr Hosie: Possibly on notice. It is all in the database. It depends on whether you are talking about one year or five years—what sort of spectrum of time.

Mr Sellers: Chair, if you give us a time frame we will provide that for you.

The CHAIRMAN: I would be interested in stats on the last five years. If that can be provided that would be helpful, thank you.

Response to question on notice.

At the committee hearing I stated I had not collated any statistics on "How frequently is in-principle approval given and then that same vehicle that is then not approved when the final engineering certificate is handed to the department".
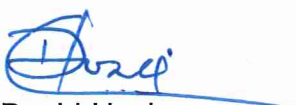
My response at the time was purely speculative, was based more on a percentage of the number of times we need to seek further information from the engineer before final approval is given.

On notice, the Department of Transport (DoT), Vehicle Safety and Standards section conducted a thorough search of the database containing modification approvals.

The search returned no vehicles given in-principle approval being rejected when the final engineering certificate was handed to the department.

Applications to DoT for vehicle modifications that do not meet the criteria are rejected and no in-principle approval is given.

Further information attached relating to research and findings by DoT.

David Hosie
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