



Hon Rachel Nolan MP
Member for Ipswich



**Queensland
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Minister for Transport

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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
Cnr Alice and George Streets
Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr Laurie *Neil*

I refer to a petition lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Jack Dempsey MP, Member for Bundaberg on 22 April 2009 regarding the need for a Driver and Rider Training Centre in Bundaberg.

I am advised that there are a number of private companies providing qualified driver and rider training to Bundaberg residents. In regard to motorcycle rider training, the Department of Transport and Main Roads' accreditation scheme, Q-Ride, is a competency based training and assessment program which aims to ensure participants reach a demonstrated level of skill and proficiency as a motorcycle rider. Currently there are two Q-Ride accredited service providers located in Bundaberg; Burnett Motorcycle Rider Training and Lern Ezy.

The Queensland Government acknowledges the petitioners' desire for a Bundaberg based Driver Training Centre. While there are no current plans to establish a Bundaberg based Driver Training Centre, my department will continue to review the services it provides to ensure that safety, convenience and the value for the taxpayer dollar are maximised.

If you require further information, please contact Ms Nicole Bunning, Land Transport and Safety on (07) 3253 4943.

Yours sincerely

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