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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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Explanatory Memorandum

The Motor Traffic Regulations (Amendment) ("the Amendment") makes a number of amendments to the Motor Traffic Regulations ("the Regulations"), consequential upon amendments to the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* ("the Act") effected by the *Motor Traffic (Amendment) Act (No.2) 1992* ("the amending Act"). The Amendment also corrects a drafting error and removes sexist language from the Regulations.

Main features of the Amendment - Regulation 3

Regulation 3 amends Part 1 of the Schedule to the Regulations, made pursuant to section 218 of the Act. This Part lists those offences in the Act in respect of which a Traffic Infringement Notice may be issued.

Paragraph 3(a) amends the Schedule to include as an offence in respect of which a Traffic Infringement Notice may be issued an offence against section 123A of the Act which was inserted in the Act by the amending Act and establishes the traffic priorities applying at slip lanes.

A penalty of \$105 is provided.

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Paragraph 3(b) rectifies a drafting error in the item in the Schedule relating to subsection 128E(2) of the Act.

Paragraph 3(c) amends the Schedule to omit the references to section 164D of the Act and replace them with references to the new section 164D offences inserted by the amending Act.

The penalties for this type of offence remains unchanged at \$75.

Commencement provisions - Regulation 1

The provisions in the Amendment relating to slip lane and child restraint offences will commence on the same day or days as the corresponding provisions of the amending Act commence.

Miscellaneous provisions - Regulations 2 and 4

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Regulation 2 corrects a drafting error and *regulation* 4 removes sexist language from the Regulations.