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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Notice is given in accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**, that a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared in relation to the Road Safety (Drivers) (Young Drivers) Regulations 2007, Road Safety (Road Rules)(Young Drivers) Regulations 2007, and Road Safety (General)(Young Drivers) Regulations 2007.

A Young Driver Safety and Graduated Licensing Discussion Paper was widely circulated to stakeholders and the public between August and November 2005. In response to positive feedback from the public and stakeholders, the Government announced the introduction of a new Graduated Licensing System. The Regulations have been prepared after considering the outcomes of this consultation.

The objective of the proposed Regulations is to improve road safety by reducing the high crash involvement of young probationary drivers. This is proposed to be achieved by introducing a minimum 120 hours of supervised driving experience, an extended minimum period for holding a learner permit, and additional restrictions on a two stage P1 (red P plate) and P2 (green P plate) probationary licence before graduation to a full licence after a four year probationary period. After assessing alternative options, the RIS concludes that the proposed changes are the most cost effective means of achieving the objective.

Public comments are invited on the RIS and accompanying Regulations.

Copies can be accessed via the VicRoads website at: www.vicroads.vic.gov.au or from the VicRoads Bookshop, telephone: (03) 9854 2782. All submissions must be made in writing and must be received by 5 pm on Monday 3 December 2007 and should be addressed to: The Manager Road User Behaviour, VicRoads, 60 Denmark Street, Kew, Victoria 3101.

All submissions will be treated as public documents. Please note that while all submissions will be considered, individual responses to comments will not be provided.

Dated 31 October 2007

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Minister for Roads and Ports

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