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Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

NOTICE OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Proposed Legislative Instrument to Determine a Fee Under Section 84BV(1) of the
Road Safety Act 1986 for an Approved Safe Driving Program
Conducted by an Approved Provider

Notice is given under section 12I of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** that a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared in relation to a proposed legislative instrument to determine a fee under section 84BV(1) of the **Road Safety Act 1986** (the Act) for an approved safe driving program conducted by an approved provider.

Provisions in the **Road Safety Amendment Act 2012** establish the safe driving program. Those provisions will commence on proclamation, or on 1 April 2013 if not proclaimed earlier. A person who has been found guilty of certain unsafe driving offences, and had a vehicle impounded or immobilised, will be required to complete an approved safe driving program conducted by an approved provider. A person participating in an approved safe driving program will be required to pay a fee to the approved program provider. In determining the amount of the fee, VicRoads will be required to ensure that the total fees collected do not exceed the costs of implementing and administering the safe driving program.

Objectives

The objective of the proposed instrument is to determine a fee to recover the costs of setting up and administering the safe driving program, and to further broader objectives of efficiency, equity, effectiveness and simplicity.

The RIS explains the likely impact of the proposed fee and assesses the benefits and costs of the proposed fee amount and the feasible alternatives for achieving the same objectives. The RIS estimates the likely implementation and ongoing costs of the safe driving program and the projected number of participants. After discussing the feasible options, the RIS proposes the fee should be set at \$527, which should allow program set up costs to be recovered over five years. The RIS also notes that VicRoads will monitor actual costs and fees collected to ensure total fees collected do not exceed costs.

Submissions

Submissions on the RIS and proposed fee are invited, and must be received no later than 5.00 pm on Thursday 31 January 2013. The submissions will be considered before the proposed instrument is made. Please note that submissions are subject to the **Freedom of Information Act 1982** and copies will be provided to the Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee.

Email submissions are preferred and can be sent to safedrivingprogramfee@roads.vic.gov.au with the subject 'Safe Driving Program Fee – Submission'.

Alternatively, submissions can be made by post marked 'Safe Driving Program Fee – Submission' and addressed to:

Safe Driving Program Fee
VicRoads Policy and Programs
Level 4 South Building
60 Denmark Street
Kew, Victoria 3101

Copies of the proposed instrument and RIS can be obtained from the VicRoads website at www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/consultation

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