#### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

# TRANSPORT LEGISLATION (AMENDMENT) BILL

## (Amendments to be moved by Mr. Mulder)

- 1. Clause 41, page 57, lines 19 and 20, omit ", penalties and defences" and insert "and penalties".
- 2. Clause 41, page 58, line 18, omit "less" and insert "not more".
- 3. Clause 41, page 58, line 24, omit "less" and insert "not more".
- 4. Clause 41, page 58, line 28, omit "5% or more" and insert "more than 5%".
- 5. Clause 41, page 73, lines 16 to 23, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert -
  - "(3) A person charged with an offence under this section has the benefit of the reasonable steps defence.".
- 6. Clause 41, page 74, lines 6 to 13, omit all words and expressions on these lines and insert -
  - "(3) A person charged with an offence under this section has the benefit of the reasonable steps defence.".
- 7. Clause 41, page 81, lines 26 to 34 and page 82, lines 1 to 17, omit proposed clause 180.
- 8. Clause 41, page 117, after line 19 insert -

### "Division 5A—Formal Warnings

### 212A. Formal warnings

- (1) An inspector may, instead of taking proceedings against a person for a contravention of a relevant heavy vehicle offence, formally warn the person if the inspector believes—
  - (a) the person had taken reasonable steps to prevent the contravention and was unaware of the contravention; and
  - (b) it is appropriate to deal with the contravention by way of a formal warning under this section.
- (2) A formal warning must be in writing.
- (3) A formal warning may not be given for a substantial risk breach or a severe risk breach of a mass, dimension or load restraint limit or requirement.
- (4) In this section, **"proceedings"** includes action by way of an infringement notice.

## 212B. Appeals against formal warnings

- (1) A person to whom a formal warning is given may, within 28 days after the warning is given, appeal in writing against the giving of the warning to the Magistrates' Court.
- (2) After inquiring into the circumstances relating to the giving of the warning, the Court may—
  - (a) affirm the warning; or
  - (b) cancel the warning.
- (3) A cancelled warning is to be treated as if it had never been issued.

# 212C. Withdrawal of formal warnings

- (1) A formal warning may be withdrawn by a person who is, or who is a member of a class of person that is, authorised to do so by the regulations by serving on the alleged offender a written notice of withdrawal within 21 days after the formal warning was given.
- (2) After the formal warning has been withdrawn, proceedings may be taken against the person for the contravention.
- (3) In this section, "**proceedings**" includes action by way of an infringement notice.'.