



**Michael Daley**  
**Minister for Police**  
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### **Motorcyclists get a seat at the Table**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2010

Minister for Finance Michael Daley today announced the appointment of Rob Colligan, Chairman of the Motorcycle Council of NSW, to the Motor Accidents Advisory Council.

Mr Daley said the appointment of Mr Colligan to the Advisory Council was one of many positive steps that had been taken over the course of the year to ensure the views of motorcyclists were heard.

“This year has also seen the establishment of an independent actuarial review of motorcycle Green Slip pricing, a Protective Clothing Working Party and MAA funded safety videos,” he said.

“Following concern from riders about the cost of motorcycle Green Slips, Ernst & Young have recently been appointed to conduct an independent actuarial review of motorcycle Green Slip pricing to look at the current Green Slip premium setting arrangements for motorcycles.

“They will consider and advise on possible options that achieve a balance between affordability and fairness.

“The MAA has arranged for a Motorcycle Council representative to join them on the Protective Clothing Working Party which involves relevant government agencies from NSW, interstate and New Zealand.

“This group is specifically looking at the feasibility of options for developing a safety testing system and star-rating consumer information for motorcycle protective clothing suitable for Australian and New Zealand conditions.

Mr Daley said as well as working on joint initiatives, the MAA has also funded the Motorcycle Council to produce a series of rider safety videos which will be distributed to affiliate club members when they are finished.

“I welcome Mr Colligan to the Advisory Council and look forward to the positive contribution he will make on behalf of all motorcycle owners and riders.”

Mr Colligan welcomed the invitation to represent motorcycle and scooter owners in NSW in this very important role on the Motor Accidents Advisory Council.

“For decades, motorcyclists have faced continued negative rhetoric, but more recently we have begun to enjoy open and frank, yet positive discussions about our place in the NSW transport mix.”

“As such, I am optimistic about the future direction that motorcyclists will hopefully be taking.”

“Motorcyclists are relying on the Motorcycle Council to find a way to ensure that when Green Slip prices are set they will be at their lowest possible level, and reflect the level of claims, so that riding can be as affordable as possible and this is just the first of many roles that the Motorcycle Council of NSW will be seeking in the months ahead.”

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