

WA speed cameras spike 'money-making plan'

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Labor claims the Government will set up more speed cameras to 'rake' in revenue.

More speed and red light cameras are likely to be found on Western Australian roads in a money-making plan by the State Government, according to Labor spokeswoman Margaret Quirk.

Ms Quirk said Road Safety Minister Rob Johnson gave a clear indication in Parliament that the only way the State Government could maintain Labor's \$15 million Road Trauma Trust Fund (RTTF) was through the revenue raised by more speed and red light cameras.

The Labor spokeswoman has now asked Mr Johnson to come clean on how many more speed cameras would be set up on WA roads to "rake" in more revenue.

"Having failed to secure funding from treasury that means one thing – Mr Johnson is planning to rake in vastly more than \$45 million a year in speed and red light camera revenue in order to deliver at least \$15million to the trauma trust fund and in turn, in excess of \$30million will be directly delivered to treasury coffers," Ms Quirk claimed.

"The majority of the money collected from the increase in roadside speed cameras and red light cameras will be delivered straight to treasury rather than to road safety campaigns where it is needed most.

"When will the West Australian public know how many more cameras will line the state's roads and when will the road safety authorities know when they can prepare their budget?"

The Road Trauma Trust Fund is used for road safety education and advertising campaigns throughout WA.