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Mr Neil Laurie  
Clerk of the Parliament  
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George Street  
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Dear Mr Laurie

Neil,

I write in response to your letter regarding petition number 2530-16, tabled in Parliament on 19 April 2016, in relation to Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) paramedic safety.

In regard to the two questions relating to a trial of body cameras in the Gold Coast region, a wide range of technologies, including body cameras, are being reviewed by the Paramedic Safety Taskforce. During a review of technologies and consultation with taskforce members and paramedics it was identified that the wearing of body cameras was not supported by frontline staff.

The Final Report, including 15 recommendations was released on 28 April 2016 and is available at the following website: <https://ambulance.qld.gov.au/docs/QAS-Paramedic-Safety-Taskforce-Final-Report.pdf>.

In respect of the third question relating to a public awareness campaign, I can advise that the Palaszczuk Government has committed \$1.35 million for a combined Department of Health and QAS public awareness multi-media campaign, which is currently underway.

I trust this information is of assistance to the petitioners.

Yours sincerely

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