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From:
To: Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee

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Respected Authorities

My name is Avtar Singh. I am a taxi licence owner. I totally support the bill submitted in parliament by Mr. Rob Katter MP from Mount Isa.

As a regulated industry, taxi industry is working under framework designed by the government.

It cost around 40k a year to be a cab on road. The uber cars either sitting home or working as illegal taxi, costing same to them. Uber says they are 20-30% cheaper than cab fare. It means they are charging 70-80% cab fare to public, out of which there spending is nil. They don't pay GST and Tax. In last financial year government lose around 40 million dollars as Gst. All uber money is going out of the cycle.

Who are the uber drivers?

- •• People on student visa,
- ••457 visa,
- ••people taking money from Centrelink for being unemployed and making money as driving for uber, ••people working somewhere else in weekdays and drive for uber on weekends. If these people register for gst then there second job will be taxed on higher rates.

I have invested in taxi license in a good faith. I have young family to look after. This illegal activity is ruining my future and my family future. The illegal service will make this industry bankrupt.

Please stand with taxi industry and support your tax paying citizens. It is government responsibility to enforce the law and ensure safety of Australians.

Regards Avtar Singh