From:	
To:	Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee
Subject:	Transport Legislation (Taxi Services) Amendment Bill 2015
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To Whom It May Concern

I refer to the above Bill introduced to the Parliament by Mr Rob Katter.

In 1992, upon being made redundant from my job with AirServicesAustralia, I used my lump sum payout combined with a margin loan from St George Bank to purchase a taxi licence and a vehicle from

For me this was an investment for the future security of my family and myself.

The taxi was initially managed by

I drove the taxi myself part time for some months until I obtained a temporary position in a new training section being opened by AirServicesAustralia.

Eventually I gained permanent employment with AirServicesAustralia, and leased my taxi licence to Yellow Cabs Qld, an arrangement which has continued until the present day.

As I have stated, the original purpose of my purchase of the licence was future security. The income now helps to support my wife and I in our retirement, and loss of that income which is threatened by the advent of ride sharing ventures completely unforeseen and out of our control would be a devastating blow to our standard of living.

Sincerely,

Patrick Smyth