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Committee Members.

I urge you to seriously consider the proposed bill, as it is pivotal to the livelihood to thousands of Queensland families that are involved in the taxi industry. The likelihood of this illegal practise succeeding is not only going to ruin the financial status of hard working families in this industry but with its success will no doubt spread to other industries. If I am to catch 20 mud crabs in my recreational boat and buy 10 cartons of beer and pack them on ice and go to the beach on the weekend and sell cooked crabs @ \$10 each with an ice cold stubbie for \$4, (And pay no tax or license fees) I would be offering the public a cheaper and better service that the licensed venues can. Is this acceptable? If Uber succeeds in the taxi industry, will that be where they or other unscrupulous companies leave it? **NO it won't**. The Queensland government cannot let these people set a very dangerous precedence. I urge you to help small business and tax payers from these multinational dictators.

Sincerely,
Gerry Lucas.
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