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Taxi Service Amendment Bill 2015 Transport Operation Act. 1994.

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Sirs,

I am a taxi driver from the late fifties and the early sixties and am now the owner of two taxi licences which I lease.

The present incursion of Uber activity in the status quo of taxi activity is effectively aiming itself at deregulation of the industry.

They present issues of the cost of fares and availability and sharing as advantages.

The fares reflect our costs for regulation and that regulation is reflected in protecting public health and safety.

Availability is an issue that can easily be solved by issuing more licences in the present manner but with the same regulations and restriction again for safety reasons.

Although multiple hiring is legal one envisages Uber activity will increase its use. Sharing infringes on the personal nature of the service and of course privacy for the fare. Though the first fare has to allow it there can be irritation by way of convenience and payment and the practice undermines the basic more of taxis which is to get the fare the best way to their destination in the safest manner. Most importantly sharing is not inherently safe.

Uber's activity in the taxi business undermines the fundamentals of safety in public transport.

Yours truly, John Schetrumpf.



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