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Transport Legislation (Taxi Services) Amendment Bill 2015

We, Lawrence & Roslyn Kearley are forwarding our submission in support of the above Bill being passed in Parliament.

We are self funded retirees and as the owners of 2 Taxi Cab Licences which we rely on for our income we feel that UBER is having a great impact on the Taxi Industry We would like you to consider that, we, as Taxi Cab Licence owners have to abide by the Laws but UBER is ignoring the Law and should be stopped.

Uber has continued to operate despite the State Government issuing them with Cease and Desist notices, which shows that they have no regard for the Government or the Law.

Also we have invested our Superannuation in these Taxi Licences and fear that they will be devalued if UBER is allowed to continue to operate without having to buy a Taxi licence or pay the Government and Transport Department Fees.

AS Taxi Cab Licence owners we have invested over one million dollars in these Taxi Licences as well as paying an annual fee to the Transport & Main Roads Department to renew these licences. Also we required to apply for a Operator Accreditation Certificate each year and pay a fee to the Transport & Main Roads Department. UBER is operating without having to abide by these Laws and we think it is time for the Government to act and stop Uber from operating illegally.

We are asking the committee to support this Bill and pass it in Parliament to protect the Taxi Industry from Multi National overseas companies destroying our AUSTRALIAN Industries ,paying no tax in Australia and taking the profits overseas.

Thanking you

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