

The Committee Members

By now you would have received submissions from all areas of the taxi industry, from these we are sure you are now well aware of the legal reasons as to why Uber drivers should be penalised for operating illegally

Not all taxis licences are owner/ operators, so please also consider the Investors such as ourselves and many other families who via various legal entities have purchased licences via Queensland government tender operations or on the open market, our opinions should also be heard.

Like many other investors we looked for a long time to invest in what we believe to be a strong and safe investment industry which we could rely upon in our future retirement

That is why we hold our retirement funds in industries such as:

Superannuation – highly regulated by the government

Banking shares – highly regulated by the government

Taxi Industry – highly regulated by the government

Through government regulating all of these industries, we have seen the banking industry in Australia survive the GFC whilst major overseas finance corporations have failed taking with them the livelihood of many families. These failures were directly attributed to lack of strong government regulations authorities being in place.

Like many Queenslanders we look to our Government to ensure that our industries remain strong and prosper for the benefit of all of voting public. We are prepared to pay a price for this in additional costs that the government imposes on us in return for this peace of mind.

We chose to put our retirement funds into the taxi industry solely because of the strong regulated market provide us with peace of mind. We do not wish to be a burden on society by having to rely upon government pensions and handouts in our retirement

The attack on the Taxi industry by the Uber group has been very deliberate; it has the funds to keep the legal arguments going for years causing a major drain on the tax payer whilst the government attempts to win a legal case to stop their operation.

Whilst Uber fails to follow a legal direction to cease operation, it is undermining our legal system of government so attempting to negotiate with them will also be a waste of time because they are here to stay unless penalties imposed in being part of an illegal operation are strong enough to stop people using and working for them.

As a drug trafficker lives off the needs of its users so does Uber need to have users/drivers to operate.

Fining individual drivers is not working because Uber has long purse strings and will always pay these costs on behalf of its drivers.

The amendment to the bill is just another step in in the right direction in reducing Ubers attempt to undermine a regulated industry.

The government needs to be more proactive in making clear to the public where it stands.

So to safeguard our industries and public, please give a favourable decision to the amendment bill before you.

Regards

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