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To: <u>Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee</u>

**Subject:** Future of Taxi Industry

**Date:** Monday, 19 October 2015 10:24:33 PM

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are writing out of concern of the future of the taxi industry going forward. We are concerned about the impact of illegal taxi services which are currently operating and enjoying the benefits of offering taxi services to the public outside the current Queensland Transport Legislation. These illegal taxi services are currently on the rise and we believe they are eroding the integrity of the taxi licensing scheme administered by the Queensland government. It is evident that the existing penalties are not sufficient to deter the increase in illegal taxi services in Queensland. These illegal taxi services are also not complying with the current GST legislation for taxi services.

We are both self-funded retirees who currently hold a taxi license investment in our own name as issued by the Queensland Transport. This investment is very important to us as it provides a source of taxable income to us each year.

Regards,

Delfino and Rosina Rossi