From: Christine

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

Subject: Transport Legislation (Taxi Services) Amendment Bill 2015

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Dear Chair,

I would like to have my say regarding Uber operating in Queensland.

I am totally against Uber as it is an illegal operation and taking dollars out of the pockets of every hard working taxi driver and also every Queenslander.

There is no GST being paid.

There is no government fees of any description being paid.

There is no full insurance coverage for passengers...due to the service being illegal.

There is no cost of business such as up to \$500,000 the cost of buying a license.

As a tax paying Queenslander, I resent the fact that this is not a level playing field and the government is not receiving equal fees and taxes that every other Queenslander has to pay.

If I were to start selling alcohol at my home, I would be in a whole lot of trouble with the police and all liquor licensing authorities.

I cannot see the difference. This is an illegal operation that is putting many people's lives and livelihoods in jeopardy.

Uber is being run by a world conglomerate company which is trying to make fools of every state and country in the Australia with an eye to world domination of this industry.

How dare they just come into our state and country and run rough shod over everyone and everything.

It is a complete abomination that they are being allowed to thwart our laws like they have been. They are making compete fools of our laws and legislation.

I do not hold a taxi license nor am I a taxi operator at this time. However, in the past my father, my two uncles and myself have owned taxi licenses in other states.

I therefore have full knowledge and understanding of the rules and regulations as well as the difficulties and obstacles involved in the operation of a taxi.

I am in full support of this Bill as a beginning to enforcing the Government's Regulations in Queensland to deter the illegal operation of Uber and any other illegal taxi service.

I appreciate the opportunity to have my say in supporting Queensland Taxi Drivers and Owners who supply a much needed, regulated and lawful service to the community, and look forward to hearing a positive outcome to this in very near future.

Yours faithfully.

C. Paterson