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

Subject: Uber illegal hire car service

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Dear Sir/Madam

I strongly object to the possibility of Uber illegal hire car services to be approved by the State Government.

The vehicle owners do not pay commercial registration fees to the Transport Department They do not pay licence fees, security levies, radio licence fees, accreditation fees etc The vehicles are privately owned, garaged, maintained, serviced – so who checks their safety?

The drivers accept payment from passengers so the vehicle is not for private use

Registration fees for private cars cover minimum 3rd party and public liability insurance so passengers are at risk

They are not even a "Share" service when only one booking is accepted from the one pick up address.

Legal taxi licences cost a lot of money with many owners borrowing money to buy one to get an income.

When bookings are only taken through a mobile phone app and the phone is then turned off by the driver –

The whereabouts of the vehicle, driver and passenger are unknown.

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