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**This correspondence is in regards to ( The objective of the Transport Legislation  
Taxi Services Amendment Bill 2015.)**

I fully support the Taxi Service Amendment Bill 2015 as having purchased my Taxi Plate from the Queensland Government in 1988 at a considerable cost. Since purchasing my (Taxi Plate) I worked extremely hard for many years to meet my loan payments to enter the industry.

At 64 years of age I am now a fully self funded retiree due to the income I receive from my Taxi which includes the payment of income tax and GST. I have always complied with Queensland Government Transport requirements.

The Taxi Industry estimates these costs in 2015 at \$30,000 to \$35,000 annually plus income tax and 10% GST on every Taxi fare 7 days a week 24 hours a day. At the present time we now have a multi-national company running a completely illegal Taxi company (UBER) showing total disregard for all the LAWS and REQUIREMENTS of the Queensland Government.

Taxi drivers do an extensive training course, log on the computer with their ABN and Pin numbers and have a 6 month vehicle machinery and safety inspection which is a compulsory requirement of The Queensland Transport. This also includes that every 6 years from the new Taxi sedan manufacturers plate the vehicle must be replaced all for the safety of our passengers.

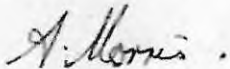
UBER do not provide any safety features or have any of the overheads that I have already mentioned. Suburban Taxis must be always compliant to all Queensland Transport Laws and Regulations. With this "Lawless" approach by UBER it is undermining the income of all small business Taxi operators and their employees ( I can only describe this as a powerful multi-national company head kicking the small business person in such a reckless and illegal manner )

What would be the future ramifications if any other multi-national companies adopted the same illegal practices that UBER is currently involved. This could effect all types of industries such as transportation, pharmaceutical, agriculture, liquor, Gaming, building and many other business.

I would put an example of what would happen if the building industry was infiltrated with this illegal attitude that UBER currently demonstrates. There would be no builders licences, no work place health and safety, no council fees, no GST on materials, unskilled labour, no regular building or engineer certification and all the profits going offshore.

I believe UBER want to put forward their own submissions to Queensland Taxi Transport outcome. The only organizations that UBER should be consulting is the ATO instead of trying to avoid GST payment through the courts and consulting with the newly formed Commonwealth Government "Serious Financial Crimes Department."

Yours sincerely



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