

## Public Works and Utilities Committee

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To Who It May Concern, Sirs,

Thank you for the opportunity to Deliver my Submission. I am not a Learned Person but have Worked & Paid Taxes all my Life to the Letter of the Law.

For the Government to Deregulate the Taxi Industry to appease a Multi-National Company who Operated Illegally for 2.5 years before coming Legal and to Operate to no Legislation has Destroyed our Lives, the Uncertainty of the Industry, not knowing what our Licences are worth, has put in a terrible Position.

But you Must remember the Licences where Sold to the Public by the Government, just to Render them Worthless is Beyond Comprehension. We Must Be Compensated!

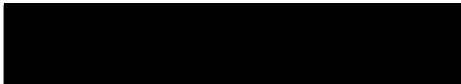
We are not afraid of Competition but All Must Operate under the same Rules & Regulations.

All we ask is that you Read our Letter we sent to Premier after Deregulation and that you Accept the Submission Draft from the Taxi Council Queensland as Our Thoughts & Submission.

Sincerely, Ron & Maureen Swanbrough.

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Ron & Maureen SWANBROUGH



Re; Taxi Industry Sellout.

Some years ago the Government decided that everybody was to provide for their PENSION. (Just to Remind you that 8 out of 10 Tax Payers Tax goes to Welfare.)

So Maureen & Myself brought 2 Taxi Licenses over the last 18 Years @ a cost of \$425,000.00 each an Outlay of \$850,000.00 Plus untold amount of DOLLARS in Bank Interest we have been Paying for Ever Since.

These Licenses where to be Leased out to Supply our Income in Retirement.

The Decision to Bow down to another Multi-National Company, who could not give One Ioda about Passenger Safety as long as they get Their 30% of Fares which goes Straight out of the Country, has put another 2 People on the Welfare System. I'm (Ron) 2 Months off Retirement age, Maureen is 72 & we have never asked for a Handout.

The Decision to Deregulate the Taxi Industry is Beyond Believe, and they Call it Innovation, Innovation the Taxi Industry Could not do because of Rules & Regulations set out by the Transport Department.

Deregulation will only cause Graft & Corruption ( Sound Familiar) Uber Drivers are handing out their Own Personnel Phone Numbers to passengers at the end of the Fare so the Passenger can Ring them instead of using the Phone App. ( More Lost Revenue.) Making it a Dog Eat Dog Industry in the Name Of Innovation!

The Decision has Destroyed the Best Taxi System in the World (Not Perfect , but the Transport Department would not let it be, Over regulating @ every corner because it is a Profitable Business in the Right Hands. (Maybe Jealousy?). Decisions made by People put in Portfolios they have no Concept Of & Listen to so Called Advisers Who have their Own Agenda's.

The Compensation Package is Pathetic, From supplying our own Comfortable Retirement, we will Receive Crumbs from the Government! Forcing us onto a Welfare system that we are opposed of in the First Place.

The Government has Destroyed Thousands of Tax Paying Businesses to Create thousands of New Small Businesses that Won't make Enough Money to Pay Tax in the Name of Innovation.

Your Response to this Letter would be Appreciated!

Beyond Comprehension,  
Ron & Maureen SWANBROUGH.