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Public Works & Utilities Committee
C/- Taxi Council QLD

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in relation to the Taxi Council Qld's request for support in their **FIGHT FOR FAIR** on behalf of Regulated Taxi owners in Mackay.

I am a 79 year old widow. Both myself and my late husband have been running Taxis in excess of thirty years in Mackay. I presently own three Taxi Licences in Mackay. I have no superannuation and the licences are my only form of income and retirement savings.


Due to the downturn in the economy I am forced to drive a taxi myself as I can not afford to pay a driver. I can not sell any of the licences as the licences are next to worthless.

The reduction in Taxi Licence values has destroyed my savings and where I was looking at a comfortable retirement I'm now forced to work.

The Government by allowing the introduction of non licenced, non regulated operators has destroyed my investments.

I would like the Government to **buyback** my licences for what was previously a fair market value.

Regards



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