From:

Public Works and Utilities Committee

Subject:

Regarding taxi industry

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## Respected Authorities,

I am a taxi license owner. I believe there should be a competition in the market. I have my concerns towards the taxi despatch Companies as well as with recent taxi Industry changes made by Government. These are:-

Level of playing field.

Removal of compulsory affiliation from booking companies .

Ride sharing like uber should allow in taxis.

Taxi council and dispatch booking companies like yellow cab & black & white they doing nothing

For operators, owners& drivers. They elected their own member in taxi council doing discrimination with other communities. Taxi companies should not allow to run their own fleet because they feedings jobs to own fleet. And they collect radio fee from private owners. Which \$11000 per year per cab. In qld 3264 \*11000=\$35904000 from all cabs. There is no any effect of uber to these booking companies. they still earning same amount of income.please remove the compulsory affiliations from these companies

there is no Level Playing Field at all. The Ride Share Companies are still working for free and taxi Industry pay all the legal costs to department of transport to operate the cabs on the road. I know that in stage 2 there will be the legal costs for Ride Share cars but till then why not the department of transportation waive the legal costs for taxies for example CTP which is the major expense for taxi owners and operators. Please waive CTP for taxis until the stage 2 decision being made and reimburse the CTP paid by the taxi owners and operators.

taxi booking companies should not allowed to run taxis, because they feedings good jobs to their own cabs there was not fair system the taxi dispatch Companies are charging too much as radio fee. Each cab pays \$10800 per year to dispatch Companies for radio job. Now after Ride Share cars being legal, the business has dropped by 40% and the dispatch Companies still charging same amount. We spoke to dispatch Companies to reduce the radio fee and they says that there is nothing quite in business. The dispatch Companies knows that taxis has to be with them as per taxi legislation. They are exploiting taxi owners and operators. Please allow the taxi to use Ride Share applications in cab as well so that we can get some business.

Please provide uber service in taxis too. Driver just sitting on rank for long hours .taxi driver should have more options for work if they paying huge expenses they should have more options to provide good service to community.

Please look out for these concerns. I hope to hear from you soon. Regards

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