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To: Public Works and Utilities Committee

Subject: Transport and Other Legislation (Personalised Transport Reform) Amendment Bill 2017

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The Committee Chairman
Public Works and Utilities Committee
Parliament House
George Street
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Dear Committee Secretary

I am writing to you out of concern regarding the changes to the 'Transport and Other Legislation (Personalised Transport Reform) Amendment Bill 2017'. My husband and I are both in a position of being unable to secure paid employment because we are over 60 years of age. Having both come from a professional background we find we are limited in our employment options. We have both obtained a Driver Authorisation to enable us to drive for Uber and find that with being able to work flexible hours and use our own car, we can make ends meet. With the proposed changes of a "new class "of CTP for Uber drivers and the increased annual fees as well as having to pay GST on our earnings, we may not be able to continue with Uber driving especially when we consider the other costs of fuel, more regular servicing, cleaning, BAS preparation etc. In that case we will become dependent on the State for financial assistance. This would also mean a hit to our self-esteem in not being gainfully employed.

It would seem that Uber is being targeted to pay for compensations to the Taxi industry. Surely reforms within the Taxi industry would improve their position rather than punishing an new enterprise that is providing a proven successful and welcomed service.

I urge you to reconsider the proposed changes and instead get in line with NSW. Uber offers a great service to tourists, an industry Queensland is reliant on.

Kind Regards



