

Research Director Transportation and Utilities Committee Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Sir/Madam

## RE: SUBMISSION TO THE TRANSPORT AND OTHER LEGISLATION (PERSONALISED TRANSPORT REFORM) AMENDMENT BILL 2017

First of all, I would like to express my thanks for the opportunity to provide this submission to the Parliamentary Committee investigating the Transport and Other Legislation (Personalised Transport Reform) Amendment Bill 2017 and Transport and Other Legislation (Personalised Transport Reform) Amendment Regulation 2017 tabled in Queensland Parliament on 21st March 2017.

I am a Taxi License owner and fully support the submission dated 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017 from the Queensland Taxi Council.

In addition I would like to provide further comment on security.

The following is a true story and occurred in either 1955 or 1956. I was 3 or 4 years old and lived on a Dairy Farm on the Mt Lindsay Highway, Park Ridge.

One day whilst playing outside, I saw a man walking down the track to our house. For reasons I can't explain, I had an immediate sense that something was wrong so I ran to the house to tell my mother that a man was coming and then I went and hid behind a door.

My mother met the man at the door and he asked if he could have some water and food? He then wanted to come inside. My mother told him he could not come in but she would get him some water and a sandwich. She also told him my father would be coming up from the bottom paddock very soon as it was lunchtime.

I knew the man had seen me and whilst I had no reason to be scared, I have a vivid memory of being incredibly afraid. The man kept asking to come inside but we were fortunate enough to have a split barn door which Mum could lock the bottom half whilst getting him some water and food. Eventually, the man left and Dad returned home for lunch.

That night my parents were advised the man who had visited our property was arrested by police for the murder and robbery of a Taxi Driver in Lismore.

Unfortunately, GPS tracking and in car cameras had not been invented in the 1950's because if they had, it is most likely that Taxi Driver would not have been murdered for what would have been a small amount of money.

With the technology we have available today, it is simply beyond reason why we would not insist on the highest security measures to ensure safety for both passengers and drivers for all Personalised Transport.

- GPS Tracking should be commercial grade and tamper proof.
- Cameras should be uniform across all modes of personalised transport and designed to provide safety for passengers and drivers as well as meeting Police requirements.
- All personalised transport vehicles should be required to have a dedicated number plate rather that removable stickers. As is the case with current taxi number plates, the public would have easy identification of what is a bona fide personalised transport vehicle.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of this submission, I can be contacted on mobile

Yours faithfully

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