

Research Director
Transportation & Utilities Committee
Parliament House
Brisbane Q

Dear Sir/Madam

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

We take this 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 21 March 2017.

We purchased our Taxi Licence from Queensland Transport in 1989.

The Queensland Government set the price at \$190,000 and we balloted for one of the licences available. In 1989, this was a lot of money for a young couple trying to secure their future. We told everyone 'this is our Superannuation'.

For 10 years, 5 days a week, we serviced the public of Cairns and our tourist visitors driving both day and night seeing each other on the driveway at the service station, when we fuelled the taxi. These were hard years but we did it to own our licence, and be secure in our retirement years.

We also covered the weekend shifts with 2 other drivers. So our taxi was working 24/7.

We were fortunate to work in a government regulated industry.

We are now 64, ready to retire, and the Queensland Government has taken it away from us. The Queensland Government with no regard for the regulated Taxi Industry or the hard working Queenslanders has allowed an overseas company to start up.

We have been victimised by our own Labour Government, who supposed to support the battler.

Standardisation will **have** to be implemented to regulate our Public Transport.

An Australian court made the decision that uber were a Taxi Company and had to pay GST, so now that this decision has been handed down, all legislation in relation to safety, CTP Insurance, Public Liability, Cameras, GPS, in short all the same requirements as a Taxis. <u>ALL LEGISLATION MUST BE INFORCED.</u>

A fair and reasonably compensation should be paid to the Taxi Licence Holders, considering the amount of money the Queensland Government has taken for licence plates that are now unsalable.

Yours sincerely

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Taxi Owners.