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To: [Public Works and Utilities Committee](#)  
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Respected Sir,

I am a taxi license owner. I live in England 27 years migrate to here 2008 I supposed rest of life spend here which was not good in Australia .in your country corrupt system here . You people ruin my life. 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:-

Compensation .  
Level of playing field.  
Removal of compulsory affiliation from booking companies .  
Ride sharing like uber should allow in taxis.

- 1) Firstly, The recent changes in the legislation had hit most to the taxi license owners. Their lifetime savings has been dumped. The compensation paid is hardly 5% of the license value which it used to have in mid 2014. Which is biggest joke with the small business Australian owners. It is very hard to believe how can Government dump its own people's business to support foreign tax evading .The most effected owners are those who bought taxi license in last 3 years who hasn't paid their mortgage yet and they have more mortgage outstanding than the worth of their taxi plate. Please give more compensation to the taxi plate owners.
- 2) Secondly, 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 taxis 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.
- 3) Thirdly, taxi booking companies should not allowed to run taxis, because they feedings good jobs to their own cabs there was not fair systemthe 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 look out for these concerns.

I hope to hear from you soon.

Regards  
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