

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

I am writing to voice my concerns about the foreseeable negative affects of the Bill & its potential impact on rideshare drivers, like myself.

I have been a recipient of the Disability Support Pension (DSP) for many years. With small improvements in my health, I found that ridesharing was a viable means of earning a small supplemental income whilst maintaining a flexible roster that accommodated my ability to work a limited number of hours per week. Among other benefits, I have increased confidence and these earnings reduce the burden on the government by reducing my DSP entitlement.

Changes proposed in the bill will add considerable financial pressure in an environment in which I am already finding the margin to be getting thinner. The proposed changes would also be considerably unreasonable, in my opinion, in circumstances where I find myself unable to work more than 10 - 15 hours per week.

I sincerely hope that you will avoid implementing additional impediments to my ability to undertake an activity that I thoroughly enjoy & that ultimately benefits everyone - me, riders & the government!

Thank-you for taking the time to read my submission. Andrew Dunning

