Transport and Other Legislation (Personal Section 1)

Transport Reform) Amendment Bill 2017

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

Dear Committee Secretary, as a semi-retired Uber Partner in Warwick I am concerned with the rideshare regulations being proposed.

I'm a former taxi driver in my 60s, but have switched to Uber when it came to Toowoomba. Uber driving fits much better into my lifestyle. I can set my own hours, doing around 40 hours per week as needed but only shifts that suit me. I live in Warwick, but drive mostly in Toowoomba depending on what's on...

My biggest concern with the changes is that you plan on restricting me to certain areas. Being able to move around is essential to my livelyhood. It is what makes Uber driving practical in these remote areas. I go where the events are to maximise earnings. I have driven in the Toowoomba, Gold Coast, Brisbane and at home in Warwick.

These change won't just affect me negatively but means that people of Warwick and Toowoomba will have to go with less reliable transport when getting around is already expensive and difficult.

At my age finding reemployment will be almost impossible. It you take Uber driving away with these restrictions I will need to fall back on the pension.

Hope you consider my situation in the debate.

Regards, Ken Kelly