



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

Dear Committee Secretary, I'm writing to voice my concern the Bill and how it will negatively impact rideshare drivers like myself.

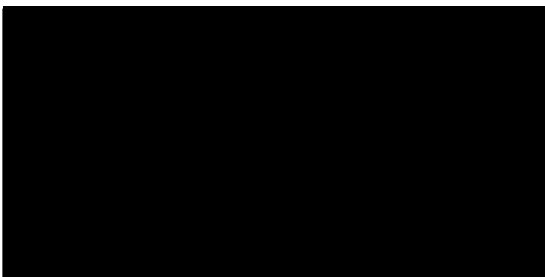
Early 2016 I stopped working due to family plan to up skill myself in undertaking short courses in Electro-Technology and to enable my self to work as an Electrical apprentice with the plan of becoming an electrician. Moreover, after finishing the short course I become unemployed for about five-six months looking for work. In December, I signed up to drive with Uber. This provides me with an income while I am searching for work. I drive when I want, so I am able to attend interviews at short notice, and attend to family matters as such i.e baby sit my three year old while mum is at work in the day. I have not found other employment, and currently deem my self as casual Uber Driver in order to help with bills.

Changes proposed in the Bill will mean that ride-sharing won't offer opportunities the way it did for me. When I signed up to drive I was in financial distress. I would have been unable to afford the startup costs of additional licensing. Not only that, buying an annual license when I am only aiming to drive to see me through until I find new work would not be fair. At the time, I also don't know if ride-sharing is for me."

Currently I only drive 20 - 25 hours per week more or less. Mostly during large events when earning are best. I need this income, though it just not justify jumping through many additional hoops and paying additional licensing fees. Requiring me to buy a license for my vehicle and paying additional CTP on par with all full time drivers is unfair and unreasonable.

I sincerely hope you will consider drivers like myself in your decision making. I would love to see regulations that benefit Queenslanders, and I am certain that what your are proposing is not that at all.

Thanks for your time, Saeed'ali



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