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The Research Director
Transport, Housing & Local Government Committee
Brisbane,

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you to put my submission to you for the Transport Housing and Local Government Committee.

My first point is that I agree totally in the usage of bicycles either on roads or bikeways. However roads have been built and paid for in a large part by motorists with fuel tax, registration, rates and various other means.

My suggestion is that as bikes are now using road space they should also have to pay a registration fee same as a car, e.g. \$100 with the rego clipped on to the bike frame. This would ensure that bike riders are contributing towards the costs which is not happening at the moment.

My second point is Light Rail. When you look at the Melbourne system, expansion of Sydney, Adelaide and light Rail now planned for Perth, Canberra, Hobart and the new system almost ready on the Gold Coast I feel that Brisbane has been left behind in the transport system with just having bouncy buses and a good train system (not frequent enough) and at the moment cost preventative keeping cars on the road.

Thank you for reading my submission.

Yours sincerely,

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