

To the Transport road and maritime services and the Taxi Industry

As per your recent letters sent regarding the rules and regulations and changes happening within the industry of the Taxi and Hire cars relating to the fact that they do not require I.D cards and training so that they set a standard within the industry and a high profile with the customers and the public.

I believe that the Taxi Industry should take and play a major role in implementing the following standards.

1. Examine all vehicle to ensure they are 100% compliant and of high standard
2. The vehicles are clean inside and out (some are that bad that they ear cockroach infested)
3. Taxi drivers to be dressed in proper attire and clean and hygiene a must
4. The above should be the adhered to and only those who adhere and comply with the above should be drivers and ones the industry should allow to deal with the public.

We should be a high public industry standard and not be as per all others currently dealing in the same arena as Uber drivers who charge a lot less than taxi do.

By what has and is currently going on in the industry it seems that you do not really care for the upholding and legit people in our Taxi Industry.

In order to compete with what is going on you need to make the Taxi much more competitive and affordable and implement the above-mentioned rules because if we all 24million within Australia take onboard what has been a disaster for the industry and use our own private vehicles the tell me what will happen to the industry.

All the people who up to this day and before have invested and given their blood sweat and tears to the Taxi Industry a government body believed in this and did so, never did they believe that the one party they invested in the GOVERNMENT would abandon them and destroy them as is currently happening.

These investors have all along supported the government and Taxi Industry and given back not taken and destroyed, the government and Taxi industry has always benefited from the way it was and now why should they lose and sacrifice it all, we all want a strong and just country.

We should all be supported on this and not push us into no other choice but to all take up our own private vehicles and go direct to the public as public transport. I want to and believe that we should all **support** this country we call HOME AUSTRALIA.

I could go on and on with what needs to be done but leave it here for now and hope that you all do the right thing that is needed and in a fair and just way.

Yours faithfully



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