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Submission: Dear Sir/Madam

The proposed Opal card fare increase is excessive and the change in the conditions of use are against what how it was promoted as a political promise before it was introduced .

The NSW government talks about supporting families and the economy , but their actions do not match the talk .

The Opal card was promoted as something affordable and easy to use .

It replaced weekly fares and was said to be easier to use .

Well it was with the original conditions and made it very difficult to evade public transport fares. This has been a major gain for the government.

With the new proposals it could easily become more expensive for many people.

Make public transport easy to use and people will use it, create difficult conditions and people will go back to taking their cars , creating more congestion at great cost to the economy and society .

Wages are growing slowly , people will be hardly hit by these fares and conditions.

With low interest rates ,self funded retirees will be hit hard by the loss of the Opal Gold card .

The increase in the Sunday fare cap is seriously silly. The existing fare was made so families could easily go out for the day, increase it and they will stay home. With shops and cafés missing out on sales .

I strongly urge non implementation of the report.

Regards

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