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Submission: I object to the mooted increase in fares for Seniors.

My main concern is that the hefty price rises under consideration would be unaffordable for many poorer people in this age group, who rely on public transport to access shops, entertainment and medical services, as well as family and friends.

But another important factor is that the proposed fares, in making public transport more expensive, would potentially divert passengers away from public transport towards private vehicles, thereby increasing road congestion and environmental pollution.

Increasing the existing fares in this way can only be regarded as a retrograde step, and I strongly urge the NSW Government to reject this measure.

Sincerely,  
ADJ Watson