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Submission: My main concern with the proposed changes to public transport fares is senior non-pensioner fares. I am a senior but do not receive a pension due to my birth year which determines the age a person receives the age pension. I do not receive any type of welfare benefit and also do not work.

My husband receives the age pension, I would suggest that spouses of pensioners still be entitled to pensioner fares as the daily cap of \$2.50 has been the fare for some time and the increase to a daily cap of \$9.00 is a big difference, this will be very difficult for most seniors to afford especially as it will not be a gradual rise.

These fare increases are very unfair and shows the government has not taken into consideration the impact it will have on passengers such as myself who has to travel on public transport to and from hospital every day for cancer treatment.

Public transport should be there to provide a service for the public not to make money for the government. The current fare structure is an excellent system making public transport affordable for everyone and these proposed changes to fares and how they are calculated will turn people away from using public transport and put more cars on the road.