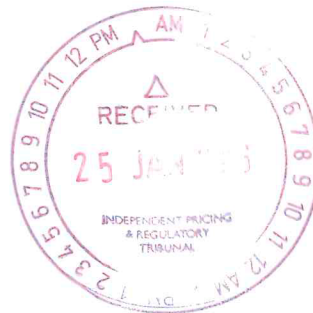


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Dear Tribunal Members,

I ask you to consider the following points when reviewing public transport fares.

- Public transport like public hospitals, the police force and public schools are the services we expect to be available to all our fellow citizens in a well run democracy. They are not money making ventures, they are services the Government provides in turn for our GST and other taxes.
- Many clubs, run for Seniors, for example Probus Clubs, run what they call \$2.50 days. These involve the cheap travel but many other businesses such as cafes, coffee shops, souvenir shops benefit from the group's business. Small businesses will suffer without them.
- I read in the Paper that people over the age of 70 should consider their need to drive. Increased cost on public transport will not encourage the seniors to leave their cars at home.

I feel to almost quadruple fares for some seniors is a very narrowly focused decision. It may do something for the bottom line, probably not as much as you expect but at a huge cost to the wellbeing of the seniors of our state.

Yours faithfully,
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