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Submission: I strongly oppose the proposed increases for weekly passengers (on buses) like myself.

Under existing MyBus 3 Travel Ten, cost is \$36 for a week (ten trip ticket).

Under existing Opal, cost is \$36 per week (8x \$4.50, Friday is essentially free).

Under proposed charges, I will be required to pay 10x \$4.50 (assuming no increase to the single fare price), equaling \$45 per week.

This is an increase of 25% per week!

Whilst I understand the changes are to alleviate the revenue issues caused by the loophole of passengers taking short trips earlier in the week, the more pragmatic approach would be to charge passengers either:

a) their highest 8x fares for the week

or

b) their highest 10x fares, up to a maximum of \$36 (current highest weekly spend for a bus user)

Regarding other changes, I support:

a) increase of senior/concession from \$2.50

b) reducing charges for change-in-mode journeys.