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Submission: I am one of your "perverse" opal jumpers.

The main reason I do it is because previously I had an annual pass ticket to get to my stops I needed which saved me 30% upfront but Railcorp had the money up front and I had no need to undertake "perverse" or "frivolous" trips to save as much money as possible. This was then simply removed and no reasonable option provided in lieu. If my regular usage is conducted on the opal my costs went from a weekly amount of approximately \$28 (weekly annualised cost) to \$48 dollars. This does not represent a saving or even a reasonable minor increase when the amount has effectively doubled.

I would cease "perverse" trips if a annual, half yearly or quarterly option was re introduced . I fail to see how this could not be re implemented now under the opal system as follows.

Upon registration of the card (or provide the option to existing card holders) allow the user to pay a set but discounted upfront payment between two designated stops. This could even be reviewed on a quarterly basis to ensure that use has not expanded beyond reasonable "fair use" scope and some adjustment be made.

What you need to understand is, most people just want to save as much money as they can. The loophole was created but reasonable alternatives were not provided to systems that previously existed. Of course people will exploit it, but if the quarterly, half yearly or annual option was re implemented you would likely curtail quite a number of your "perverse" jumpers.