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Submission: I would like to complain about the proposed price hikes for the seniors opal card. I value this card as one of the benefits from turning 60 and recognizing my contribution to this society. I have been a casual female employee for TAFE most of my working life with no expectation of a redundancy payout and less benefits than a full time employee. This was NOT out of choice but rather because of the area I taught in provided no permanency.

I use this card for the odd bit of paid work I get and if this were to increase it may make me reconsider the few hours work I do get thus putting me on new start allowance, a cost to the government.

There are many 60-70 yr old in my position. We value the ease with which we can travel around and at least have leisure activities that are inexpensive, like a ferry ride or trip to the mountains. This increase would impact on my life and make me feel even more marginalized as a senior citizen.