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Submission: This proposal will cost commuters living in the country much more, for train fares will be higher for us - as they are currently capped at \$15 per day (\$56.44 per week) and the last 2 journeys of the 10 typically taken per week are free. On a normal day I catch a 5.20am train from Moss Vale and return at 7.09pm (as long as the trains are running on time, which is a rarity, if you'd like to check the statistics on this). The train seats are very uncomfortable, the aircon either not working or too cold, and the reliability of this "service" is appalling including the many occasions our trains are forced to go slow behind freight trains who share the train tracks, and also the problems with the mechanics of diesel engines, signal failures etc. So what this review is doing is inflicting more financial pain upon rural commuters who from the start will be \$10 a week worse off and what are we getting for that priveledge - I doubt it will be more frequent and faster services to/from Goulburn, more comfortable and on-time running trains. If the NSW Government was prepared to offer this then a fare increase would be more palatable, as it stands the current and proposed substandard offering to Southern Highlands commuters leaves a nasty taste in the mouth.