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Submission: As an retiree and being on the lower end of a fixed income from UniSuper I find it difficult to make ends meet. I do not own a car so I depend entirely on public transport.

To visit family and socialise with friends and various interest groups often requires more than one form of transport and several Bus changes.

The proposed increases in travelling costs would mean for me to severely cut down on travel.

I usually travel at times when the buses etc. are relatively empty so I can't see any reason for the increased fares for pensioners and senior citizens.

It is time to stop to punish us financially just because it is so easy to do!

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