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Submission: My submission is concerning proposed changes to senior concession fares on public transport. I am a retired person on a self funded pension. I have terminal chronic kidney failure and must attend hospital three times a week for dialysis. I use public transport to go to and from hospital. With the proposed increases it would be in my interest to apply to the hospital for patient assisted transport which would be ambulance or taxi assisted which would be dearer on the State budget than maintaining my public transport. I also attend exercises classes and have one afternoon a week at a U3A meeting for which I use public transport. My nephrologist encourages me in these appointments as being beneficial to my health thereby minimising hospital stays or movement to assisted care which would be a further drain on public funds. I have no doubt there are many older people in a similar situation to mine and restricting our access to public transport will simply switch our needs to other facilities which would probably be far more expensive