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Submission: Dear Sir,

I am writing to add my protest to that of others regarding the proposed increase to the cost of travel for the Senior Opal Card.

I am retired, not on a pension, do not own a car and a frequent user of public transport. All other states manage to cap the seniors' transport charge to a level that encourages use of public transport – why should NSW be the exception? And, yes, there is self interest in writing to you, the proposed increase will have an effect on my budget and my social life – perhaps even make me a regular cyclist!

It seems to me that this increase is a way of clawing back some of the losses due to the “rorts” of regular travellers but will only lessen patronage by seniors.

Regards,
Linda O’Cain