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Submission: My wife and I are self funded retirees, since July 2015.

We planned and saved carefully for this new stage of life.

We choose public transport whenever possible for convenience, comfort, fuel emission reduction, accessibility. And Government argues the case for getting cars off the road and promotes the use of public transport.

The new proposal will increase our daily fare expenditure requirement by 260% if reports are correct, from \$2.50 to \$9.00.

Public transport at the current Opal Gold Card rate is the journey of choice a great many seniors at a very important time of their lives. It enables mobility from our homes, participation in family and public events, and also, just joining in with what is happening in our state and city.

Your new proposal directly hits and limits those choices.

Through asset sales the NSW government is developing infrastructure, planning for the long term. Of course that needs to be done.

But what else is an economic society for? Surely the services needed by citizens who have spent 40 or 50 years paying their rates and taxes are also a priority?

This fare adjustment is unfortunately yet another example of theoretical analyst bureaucrats penalising older people.

Not good enough at all. Scrap the plan - if you want to keep our votes.