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Submission: I am a disability pensioner and the \$2.50 day travel allows me to stay in contact with my mother, in aged care. If the price is increased, I will have to decide between knowing of her prescriptions and my visit to her. She on an aged pension cannot cover her prescribed medications. I pay the gap from my disability pension. An increase in the fare I pay for transport would mean fewer visits or fewer prescriptions, I have no leeway or discretionary spending funds...there is no extra currently.

I do remember when Michael Costa (I think it was) increased the daily transport rate from \$1:10 to \$2:50. The government he was a part of was voted out at the next election I believe.

There are a great many pensioners in this state and we all vote. Politicians who forget this simple fact do so at a risk to their public standing.