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Submission: Having read IPART's proposal for public transport fares I can say the only part I agree with is removing the penalty fare charged when changing modes of transport.

The rest of the recommendations such as charging only for the 10 longest trips is simply confusing and unwieldy- and frankly sounds like a ripoff for commuters who previously enjoyed discounts on weekly tickets and of course the 8 trips on opal then the rest free.

I wonder how many members of the IPART committee regularly travel by public transport? The fare structure should be simple and transparent while this proposal just makes it more complicated, and fails to consider the externalities - eg: if the fare structure of public transport is not attractive people will drive to work instead, causing congestion, pollution and the waste of many hours of productivity.