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Submission: I object to the idea of denying Opal Gold Cards to people over 60 who are not entitled to the age pension. Lifting this group's public transport cost from \$2.50 a day to \$9 a day is extreme and unfair. Self-funded retirees are not necessarily rich and able to afford this impost. Most affluent retirees would not be seen dead on a bus.

Means testing the Gold Opal Card would be a nightmare. Why not continue to let all seniors have one? My experience suggests most seniors use public transport sparingly. Charging them more would just encourage them to use their cars instead.

The income of self-funded retirees tends to dwindle as they get older. Does NSW really want more ageing people on the roads? And isn't it healthier for older people to get out and about on buses and trains, saving health costs?

Why not increase the \$2.50 a day to \$3.50 for everyone now entitled to a Gold Opal Card. You could always deny seniors cheaper fares during peak times.