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Submission: I believe these changes could have a negative effect on your daily and weekly activities, including family and community responsibilities. The cost increase proposed to the Gold Opal Card may put public transport out of reach of some seniors as it is not reflected in the incremental increases in the aged pension and war widow/ers pension. I am also aware that many self-funded retirees may not qualify for the pension despite living on modest incomes not too dissimilar to the amount of the pension.

This increase is an unacceptable percentage. Imagine the outcry if company tax was to increase almost 100% in 2 years!!

Is this some plan to keep seniors at home and out of a bit of part time work?