

## TAXI FARE REVIEW.

### SYDNEY HARBOUR CROSSING TOLL.

I am opposed to the recommendation in the IPART draft recommendation about Taxi Fares in NSW that (if implemented) will not allow Taxi Drivers to charge the Sydney Harbour Bridge or Tunnel toll to passengers who travel north.

IPART's draft admits that no discussion with Taxi Industry stakeholders was invited re tolls.

It admits that only one submission was received about tolls.

It admits that no mention of a return toll from south to north either over or under Sydney harbour was made in the discussion paper.

There are several reasons why Taxi Drivers should be able to continue to charge the 'return' toll for Sydney Harbour north-bound crossings.

Since IPART has existed this has never been an issue. If one submission is sufficient to make this an issue, surely it should be included as an issue in the 2009 'Issues Paper' rather than being snuck in to the draft recommendation without discussion.

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