

Sir/Madam

While the proposed bus fare increases are not good news a bit of commonsense would greatly increase the efficiency of cash ticket sales;

Increase the 1-2 section cash ticket prices to a round figure of \$2.00/1.00, instead of the Ministry recommendation of \$1.80/0.90. Current price \$1.70/0.80 (showing full fare/concession fare).

Increase the 3-5 and 6-9 section cash ticket prices to a round figure of \$3.00/1.50 and \$4.00/2.00 respectively. Current price \$2.90/1.40 and \$3.90/1.90 respectively.

Increase the 10-15 and 16+ section cash ticket prices to a round figure of \$5.00/2.50 and \$6.00/3.00.

Current price \$4.60/2.30 and \$5.60/2.80.

The Ministry's price recommendation will greatly increase for the drivers and the public the need to carry coins.

Abolish the use of 5 cent pieces on cash transactions on public transport. That form of payment is not accepted at automatic toll gates anywhere in NSW.

Buses are for transportation, not for mobile banking services.

Allow pensioners to purchase concession TravelTen tickets, something which is currently not permitted.

Regards;

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