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Att: Mazih Elasmr,
Chair of the Committee.

Please find attached my submission to the Parliamentary Inquiry into
the CPV Reforms 2019.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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28th June , 2019

I wish to have my name withheld.

My name is [REDACTED] and I OWNED *three* Victorian PERPETUAL Taxi Licences which my late Husband and I BOUGHT and PAID for in FULL.

I OWNED these Victorian PERPETUAL Taxi Licences for 31 years.

I OWNED them, I AM the RIGHTFUL, LEGAL, LEGITIMATE OWNER, they are MY PERPETUAL Licences, they BELONG to ME, they are MY PROPERTY!

I intended to leave MY *three* PERPETUAL Taxi Licences to my two Daughters and Grandson.

BUT

At MIDNIGHT on the 9th October 2017, in what I consider to be a NOTORIOUS act of INJUSTICE, The Andrews Labor Government SEIZED MY PROPERTY, MY PERPETUAL Licences and in so doing, SEIZED MY INCOME - MY LIVELIHOOD, SEIZED MY RETIREMENT and SEIZED MY LEGACY to my Children and my Grandson.

I have not received *any* INCOME pertaining to MY Victorian PERPETUAL Taxi Licences since MIDNIGHT 9th October 2017.

Remember This is MY BUSINESS, MY PRIVATE PROPERTY, again which I bought and PAID for in FULL.

ABOUT ME

I took great pride in being a Victorian PERPETUAL Taxi Licence (Owner) and I remember the very first day on the road as an Owner. I hold that special feeling I felt in my heart to this day, as it was a very big step to take, for me and for my late Husband as it was his inheritance from his Father that paid our first PERPETUAL Licence. It was the first time in both of our working lives we were Business Owners and we were so excited at the thought of this. Eventually we would invest in two more PERPETUAL Licences once again from inheritance and from my Husband's Superannuation.

We operated OUR Business in a professional, legal and lawful manner, we complied with all associated Rules, Regulations and Accreditations set down by previous State Governments and by this unlawful Labor Government. We did not ever fail to meet all our State and Federal tax obligations. As PERPETUAL Licence Owners we provided employment for many drivers and Leasees over the 31 years in Business and consequently provided to them opportunity to earn an income so that they may support their families, not forgetting the additional tax raised.

I am a self funded retiree, I have worked since the age of 15 and I had all my plans firmly in place for a comfortable life in retirement, but this extreme interference into MY BUSINESS AFFAIRS and MY LIFE by this, in my opinion UNLAWFUL State Leader Daniel Andrews and his UNLAWFUL government, has severely over-stepped his jurisdiction and has compromised my plans to maintain MY LIFE in a manner conducive to MY terms.

ENFORCED REALITY OF OUR LIVES

In my opinion this MISGUIDED Labor Premier and his equally MISGUIDED Minister for Transport, Ms Allan should be held to account and should be DISMISSED.

They have managed to create **GRIEF, MISERY, MAYHEM** and **HEARTACHE** for many thousands of Victorian **PERPETUAL** Taxi Licence (OWNERS) and their FAMILIES.

Daniel Andrews lied to everyone in the Victorian Taxi Industry when he said, he would look after our interests and then did the complete opposite.

I want my fellow Victorians to know and understand this GRAVE situation brought about by this I believe - CONNIVING, Andrews Labor Government.

I feel this COVERT Labor Government CONSPIRED to bring down Victorian **PERPETUAL** Taxi Licence (OWNER) to their knees.

I want to know, in this supposedly democratic Country – Australia how does a government supposedly for the people of Victoria, come to such an abhorrent decision - to **DESTROY** an **Australian** Industry and it's people".

PERPETUAL – never ending or changing

They did this by REMOVING the word **PERPETUAL** from legislation. This raises serious issues and serious questions that should be and must be addressed. How was it possible this most important “linchpin word” that had been written into legislation was removed? This word was the foundation on which the Victorian **PERPETUAL** Taxi Licence (Owner) bought a **PERPETUAL** Licence. I know we all did so in good faith, investing substantial sums of money, that may have consisted of inheritance, superannuation, life savings and in many cases substantial loans. I believe the Government has failed in their “Duty of Care” in this crucial matter.

I and many of, if not most of my Colleagues were not aware that our **PERPETUAL** Licences could be revoked/cancelled at any time. This information was not evident ever, on any **contract of sale document** nor on any document of any discription.

I feel this is a very telling point as it represents a lack of transparency and a failure by Government to disclose all Terms and Conditions. The definition of **PERPETUAL – never ending or changing** these Licences were labelled and regarded as such and to me this is misleading and deceptive conduct. At no time was I aware MY PROPERTY could be seized without obligation of payment for compensation. If we had known this, I am certain my late Husband and I would never have bought Licences.

This absolute act of **TREACHERY** should never have been able to occur, how dare the Andrews Labor Government force thousands of hardworking, law abiding citizens of this State into **Jeopardy**. I am aware that a number of my Colleagues have committed suicide and many including myself and my family remain severely traumatised by the Andrews Labor government's actions in regards to this licence fiasco.

PERPETUAL - never ending or changing cont...

This **BETRAYAL** of **TRUST** has resulted in the **invasion & violation** of MY WAY OF LIFE, MY FREEDOM of CHOICE, MY RIGHT to OWN PROPERTY, MY SELF WORTH, MY NATURAL RIGHTS of LIFE, FREEDOM and the PUSUIT of HAPPINESS, indeed these are GOD given rights and cannot be taken away or denied by any individual or government..... and yet they have done it!

Everyone is equal under the Law - a basic maxim of Law.

Where are MY DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS, such as **EQUALITY**, **MY RIGHT TO OWN PROPERTY**, to earn a **LIVELIHOOD**. To be treated **EQUALLY** and **FAIRLY**.

Why has the “Victorian **PERPETUAL** Taxi Licence Owner” borne the entire brunt of these ludicrous reforms? Why has the burden not been shared? We have had **OUR** Business, Income, Retirement, Superannuation, Legacy to our Children taken from us, through no fault of our own. As if this is not enough, the debt for many thousands of my Colleagues, is the **ONLY** component remaining and is now forcing many of them to lose their homes and their family life.

This is very distressing to me!

Victoria is the only State 'world wide' that revoked/seized all PERPETUAL Licences from their Rightful Owners.

How is this - FAIR? What about MY - FAIR go?

Prime Minister Scott Morrison in his 1st Press Conference upon the demise of Malcom Turnbull.

“We're on your side. We're on your side because we share beliefs and values in common. The value and beliefs that we hold is what connect us all. If you have a go in this country you will get a go. There is a **FAIR** go for those who have a go. That is what **FAIRNESS** in Australia means. It is why we believe that those who have come from so many different parts of the world to this country to create this country and demonstrate that by their actions they have sought that **FAIR** go in this country **as we all have**. We have come to have a go and we will get a **FAIR** go regardless of our ability or circumstances”.

***I wonder and I want to know, why I am continually told The AUSTRALIAN CONSTITUTION holds no power in this dreadful saga. I cannot believe this!
What about MY CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS in this GRAVE INJUSTICE?***

More - UNFAIRNESS & INJUSTICE

I did not apply to the **Fairness Fund** as I knew many thousands of my Colleagues would be plunged into financial ruin by the Andrews Labor Government's **TREACHEROUS, DANGEROUS, RECKLESS** legislation.

It is nothing short of breathtaking mismanagement and incompetence, in regards to the injustice and inequity in not only the administration of the **Fairness Fund** which the **Victorian Ombudsman** also recognised, but also the ridiculous, untenable **Transition Payments** that were totally **UNFAIR** and **inadequate**.

BULLYING & DISCRIMINATION

I have been **BULLIED** and **UNLAWFULLY DISCRIMINATED** against. My life's work and my Parents lives work has been undermined, infact I consider it - **intergenerational bullying**, affecting no less than **4** generations born and bred in this Country. My Family and I deserve **JUST** and **PROPER COMPENSATION**.

My Parents were Primary Producers in Victoria in the 1920's & 30's, they were pioneers and they worked very hard enduring long hours on the Land to provide for me and in so doing, helped me to provide and pass on to my Children a combined legacy of **2** generations of toil in this County to eventually be handed to their Children. However the Andrews Labor Government has interefered and severely compromised these **2** generations of arduous, back breaking work and their Legacies.

I was not given any **CHOICE**, or **CONSULTED** in any way. I did not **consent** nor did I ever **tranfer or sign over** MY PROPERTY - MY **3 VICTORIAN PERPETUAL TAXI LICENCES** to the Andrews Labor Government, in a **contract of sale** document nor any other document.

They **stole** MY PROPERTY from me, under the cover of darkness at **midnight 9th October, 2017**.

What can one say about the hypocrisy of this State Labor Government in their most recent advertisement on television regarding **BULLYING** in the workplace.
The advertisement ends with this sentence.....

“Because your physical and mental well being is everything”.

*I have been **FORCED** out of MY WORK, MY BUSINESS which was MY PRIVATE PROPERTY, resulting in a complete LOSS of INCOME and MY BUSINESS!*

PROPERTY says THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

In 1998 The High Court of Australia deemed :

“A taxi licence is a valuable item of property”.

*Incredibly, a Ruling from no less than the High Court of Australia means nothing to the Andrews Labor government, as we have had absolutely **NO** course of **REDRESS** and no **JUSTICE** in this momentous tragic event.*

*I do not understand why The High Court's ruling is completely disregarded.
As an Australian Citizen, I consider this most distrurbing!*

MY PROPERTY RIGHTS.....**WORTHLESS!**

MY HUMAN RIGHTS.....**WORTHLESS!**

MY RIGHT to earn a LIVELIHOOD.....**STOLEN!**

MY RIGHT to survive, to pay the bills that do not stop, just because
MY INCOME and MY BUSINESS have been **STOLEN** from me.

MY RIGHT to provide for myself and for my family.....**STOLEN!**

MY RIGHT to choose to live my life without interference and to be happy.....**STOLEN!**

“I DON'T WANT TO LET 'THEM GET AWAY WITH THIS.’”

I have never witnessed such a **DISASTER** by any government in this State of Victoria, or indeed in this country of Australia.

In my opinion, The Andrews Labor Government has acted in a highly **DECEITFUL, WILFUL, RECKLESS, UNJUST, UNLAWFUL, UNFAIR,** manner.

I consider the Andrews Labor Government is a **DISGRACE!**

I **CONDEM** the Victorian Andrews Labor Government!

I **BLAME** them **COMPLETELY** for **OUR** people who paid the **ULTIMATE PRICE!**

I am calling for a **THOROUGH INVESTIGATION** and **COMPREHENSIVE AUDIT** of what I consider is a **SUSPECT** Andrews Labor Government.

In conclusion,

I believe “Victorian PERPETUAL Taxi Licence Owners” have been stripped of their Humanity, by the callous actions of this cruel Andrews Labor Government. There can be no doubt these draconian reforms have caused and continue to cause immeasurable destruction, heartache and suffering.

*As a result my Children have told me they will no longer stand nor sing the Australian National Anthem, as they feel their Country has BETRAYED them!
I know my Children have already enacted this at my Grandson's School.*

I feel a profound sadness for a Country I once knew, for the men that gave their lives in battle to defend it's principles.

I feel a profound sadness for all that has happened to me, for my late Husband, for my Parents, for my Family, for my Colleagues, for the future and for future generations.

I am of the opinion from this totally unforeseen, unexpected, unjustified, unbelievable annihilation of The Victorian PERPETUAL Taxi Licence (Owner) that the word DEMOCRACY and all it stood for in this Country, no longer exists.

Thank you.