

Inquiry Name: Inquiry into Expanding Melbourne's Free Tram Zone

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I've spent a long time watching ticket inspectors racially profile melbourne uni international students on the tram from the CBD to Melbourne Uni along Swanston St. The fact that this corridor is not already free is disgraceful. I believe the decision not to extend it was a cold calculated profit motive. Inspectors appear operate on a quota system, and they have repeatedly target the corridor along Swanston St because they know international students (IS) are on it. IS can't get a concession, but the terms of their enrolment mean they must study full time. Juggling jobs and uni is especially hard for them. To then be targeted by inspectors because the tram network is trying to scrape back money is despicable.

I implore the Parliament to extend the free tram zone to Elgin St. It would greatly improve the peace of mind for students.

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