INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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I have written multiple times about the problems caused by the changes to the bus timetable and the bus routes from South Coogee to Circular Quay, however the Transport Minister and his team don't seem to care or listen to the many people that have voiced their displeasure with their decisions.

For my trip into work, the first bus now comes around 6.10am, whereas previously the buses used to come much earlier. Given my job, I'm now late for work or else choose to drive in many days.

For my return trip, the 377 bus no longer departs from Circular Quay. My return trip home used to take about 40 mins, but now can take anywhere from about an hour to 90 mins and depending on weather conditions may mean that I have to catch two buses and walk a much longer distance.

Due to the changes made, I have to face this every day unless I drive into the city, which is not only much more expensive but doesn't help the environment as there is a drive to reduce vehicles on the road. It would be nice to have the Transport Minister consider the thoughts and views of the people that ultimately voted his Government into power to represent us - they have clearly let us down and people like me will have no alternative but to reflect this via our voting.

Sadly, the Ministers apparently go into Gov't to serve the people, however this is clearly not the case. Consultation and listening to the people could solve this problem.

It would be wonderful to have both the 377 and 400 buses put back into their full service. My family used both these buses extensively and things are my troublesome since they have been taken away.

Please consider us and listen.

Thank you for your attention to our situation.