

Submission
No 205

INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

Name: Name suppressed

Date Received: 31 March 2022

Partially
Confidential

I am a 78 year old woman and have taken public transport for my whole life. I share a car with my partner but prefer public transport to minimize pollution considering climate change.

The recent reduction of bus routes, bus stops and frequency of available buses has affected me greatly..

I especially used some years ago the bus 379 which went from Bronte Beach (via Bondi Junction) to the City. This bus allowed me to go to St Vincent Hospital, CBD and to my volunteer work at the Downing Centre Courts without having to change to another bus at Bondi Junction and without prolonging my travel for 15 min each way. .

Additionally the reduction of buslines to Randwick, Coogee etc makes it difficult to get around.

All this happened before the privatisation of public transport in the Eastern Subburbs.

I strongly oppose the privatisation especially as it will change the concept from a service to the public paid by our taxes to a business with the onus of making profit.

I would appreciate a response to my submission.