

## INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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As a resident of Kingsford with family and friends in surrounding suburbs, the recent changes to the buses are already a complete disaster. There is no more a direct route from Bondi Junction to Eastgardens via Kingsford. The 400 used to do this. The new 390X no longer does. Basic rides that used to require 1 bus now require more than one. It's despicable, noting that we don't exactly pay less for a subpar service.

Privatisation would be even more of a disaster. For evidence of transport privatisation gone wrong, refer to the Hills Buses and the Airport Train Line. It should not cost \$17 per.person one way, yet because of privatisation, it does. I'm speaking out against having corrupt private companies replace our government services. The government should continue to provide these services because at least there is less of an agency problem that way... We can vote people out if they suck. We can't vote private companies out and all they care about is their bottom line, they will care about only their wallet and they won't hesitate to steal from our pensioners' wallets.

Once the private companies ruin everything, it will cost too much to reinstate the infrastructure that we had. So let's not let this happen, people!