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## INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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There is no close rail connection here to access Eastern localities. To go to POW Hospital, Barker St Entrance is not easily entered. It seems as if the Transport Department thinks that all visitors to the hospital are fighting fit and can climb steep hills and dodge ambulances coming into casualty, cars entering the parking area, and taxis picking up patients.

To catch a bus to High St, I have to go to Alexandria and pick up the bus that travels through the back streets of Rosebery. This is a most circuitous route. Otherwise, there's a 3 vehicle route, which is an unacceptable state of affairs.

Then, of course, the direct connection to Central Station has been eliminated which does not allow the Hospital Light rail route to be readily accessed. there.

If a public system is so inefficient, I cannot imagine that any Private Group, will improve on it.

I am also disgusted generally with the Government's constant eagerness to privatise everything. Exactly what this seems to achieve is an inconvenience, to say the least. Any profit to the Government and the Public, of course, is temporary and seems to be an abrogation of responsibility to the People.