

INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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I have lived in Coogee for the past 15 years and have always relied on buses to get to and from work, and to and from other appointments or evenings out.

Since the recent changes to the buses, I am now unable to get home from work or a night out in the City after a certain time, without catching the light rail to Randwick then sitting at a bus stop in Randwick alone waiting for the connecting 375.

After an evening out on Saturday night, and with no available taxis, Ubers, or Olas I caught the light rail to Randwick. I discovered when I got there that the 375 does not run after midnight.

For the third time, I was forced to walk home from Randwick to Coogee. This is dangerous and leaves women vulnerable.

I appreciate the need to reduce the number of buses, but forcing me to walk home is not the action of a sensible govt. I call on the Committee to try to get from my home to the City and back at different times and see how difficult it is.

At the very least, make the bus and the light rail connect, rather than leaving Randwick 2 minutes after the bus arrives up Belmore road.