

## INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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Recent changes to bus services in the Eastern Suburbs - and particularly my locality of Coogee / Randwick - have significantly reduced the accessibility and level of service of public transport in this area.

Prior to the changes I had access to a local bus stop which provided frequent connections to local centres such as Randwick, as well as Sydney CBD.

Following the changes there are far fewer local and regional services which service my local stop, and many routes have become longer and slower. This means that public transport has become a less attractive and less practical form of transport - which directly works against NSW State Government's vision of increasing sustainable transport patronage and mode share.

I note that the recent changes also compound the previous adverse effects of City and South East Light Rail in the area, which previously impacted the level of service (travel speed) of bus customers like myself who don't have the privilege of living in a light rail stop catchment. Again, it is unfortunate that this prior major public transport initiative actually resulted in a reduced level of service for the majority of public transport customers in the suburbs it was intended to benefit.