INQUIRY INTO ROAD TRANSPORT AMENDMENT (MEDICINAL CANNABIS-EXEMPTIONS FROM OFFENCES) BILL 2021

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To whom this may concern,

As a registered nurse who is prescribed cannabis, I find it amazing that if I was prescribed oxycodone, Xanax, Methadone or any other prescription drug I would be responsible for determining my level of impairment before driving, even if this substance was active in my system. Medicinal cannabis users are not asking for the ability to drive whilst under the influence, we are simply asking for the ability to drive without the "sword of damocles" hanging above us.

I find it ridiculous that I have had to sell my car as I will always test positive to a roadside drug test regardless of whether I am under the influence and this could effect my registration as a registered nurse. Please reconsider this stance on medicinal cannabis, it is unnecessary, damaging and stress inducing. If cannabis is a schedule 8 drug, then driving with it in your system should be treated the same as other schedule 8 medications.