

Comments on Transport Standards Report
Specific Questions posed:

1. Do you consider that this draft report has addressed the key issues of importance to the review?

Six key problems have been addressed to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the Transport Standards. These are all important issues but I believe that the preferred options given are very biased towards those which cost the least, not necessarily the ones that give the best result. However the conclusions do seem to give a comprehensive approach to the problems.

2. Are there options to address these problems that the review has not considered?

An example of what I mean in 1 is in options 4a, band c. 4b only provides for individuals or HREOC to bring actions. HREOC could well be overwhelmed by work Are there other bodies that could be used?.

3. Do you have evidence to either support or refute the assessment of options in chapter 13 of this report?

No, I have such evidence.

4. Do you consider that implementing the draft recommendations will involve costs to government or non-government organisations?

Yes but as an individual I am unable to provide estimates. Obviously, it would be unrealistic to think that these changes would be cost-free.

5. Do you consider that the criteria used in the qualitative assessment of options are appropriate? Do you have suggested changes to these criteria?

These seem to be appropriate. I have no other suggestions.

6. Do you consider that the proposed framework is the best approach to implementing the recommendations from this review?

Unfortunately the framework was described in a diagram that I was unable to assess being totally blind. Overall, I think that this is a good start with the main thing being to collect more data. I also question whether or not the only 2 exclusions that should be reconsidered should be the issues of school buses and community service buses.

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