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Dear Mr Laurie *Neil*

I refer to a petition number 1987-12 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Ms Jackie Trad MP, Member for South Brisbane on 13 February 2013 about the Taxi Subsidy Scheme (TSS).

I can confirm that the scheme will continue to operate without any change this financial year. However, as a result of the fiscal situation left by the previous government, it is important the TSS remain affordable and meet community expectations in the future.

In October 2012, I established the TSS Review Panel to review the scheme and make recommendations to government on the future of the TSS to ensure it continues to provide access to those who need it most and is sustainable. The TSS Review Panel comprised of 20 representatives from community and disability groups, the taxi industry and key government stakeholders.

The Panel was tasked with providing recommendations to government by 22 February 2013. The Panel has submitted its report and its contents will be considered as part of the budget process.

Yours sincerely


Scott Emerson MP
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