

As a concerned citizen I strongly oppose the recommendation of a toll tax for all Australian roads cited in your report.

The report's author (Professor Ian Harper) is quoted by News Corp

<http://www.news.com.au/finance/money/every-road-in-australia-should-have-tolls-says-report/story-fnagkbpv-1227067053501>

as saying:

... "we now have the capacity to charge people for their use of the road system according to time of day, size of the vehicle and whereabouts they happen to be". Professor Harper said "the road system is the only example of an infrastructure asset, where the government owns the great bulk of the asset, funded through the tax system and given away for nothing".

Below is a sample of what the Professor's review panel recommends:

Therefore, if the government eventually adopts this part of the report's recommendations, we could see every road user being charged indirectly by 'The Commonwealth of Government Inc

<http://www.sec.gov/cgi-bin/browse-edgar?company=Commonwealth+of+Australia&CIK=&filenum=&State=&SIC=&owner=inc&lude&action=getcompany>

This is an outrage, are the roads owned by the government or the people that pay taxes and registration?

Just imagine the impact that such a tax would have on the cost of Australian-produced goods compared to those imported because of these additional taxes upon local manufacturers. Also, simply travelling to the supermarket each week will cost more because 'the government' wants you to pay for the privilege of transporting your groceries home using your car.

I am living under the poverty line like 7 in 10 Australians are struggling to keep head above water. This increase will no doubt keep us in economic slavery, is this your goal??

How are the people informed of your recommendation, I only happened to hear about it through a concerned citizen otherwise this would go unnoticed. Put it out to the public vote and hear what the masses are saying.