

PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA Economy and Infrastructure Committee

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Inquiry to probe ride sourcing services

Ride sourcing services such as Uber will be investigated by the Victorian Parliament's Economy and Infrastructure Committee.

The new parliamentary inquiry will consider the need for, and appropriate structure of, regulation for these services.

"The Committee welcomes community input to this investigation and will be calling for submissions shortly," said Committee Chair Joshua Morris.

"It is clear there is a need to address how it is that ride sourcing services can be properly regulated," Mr Morris said.

"This public inquiry will be an opportunity for people to share their experiences and views."

Under the inquiry's terms of reference, the Committee will investigate a range of issues, including barriers to entry, consumer protection, customer safety, competition and access for people with disabilities.

"We will look at the impacts any regulation might have on the taxi industry and how such impacts can be minimised," Mr Morris said.

Remuneration and workplace rights for drivers will also be considered by the Committee.

"We expect there will be many people who will want to make a submission. It's important that people get an opportunity to have a say so that we can make meaningful recommendations for the operation of such services into the future," Mr Morris said.

The Committee is due to report in early December.

The inquiry's terms of reference are available from the Committee's website.

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