



The Honourable Scott Emerson MP  
Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Your ref: Petitions

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Mr Neil Laurie  
The Clerk of the Parliament  
Parliament House  
George Street  
Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition numbers 2135-13 and 2158-13 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 21 August 2013 about reducing congestion on roads through improved train frequency on the Cleveland line.

This government is committed to increasing patronage, with improvements to frequency, reliability and affordability, which are imperative to encouraging people back onto public transport. With this in mind, the Newman Government has implemented a number of initiatives, including:

- halving the fare hikes planned under Labor
- introducing free travel after nine weekly journeys
- improving maintenance programs for trains and supporting infrastructure, to increase network reliability.

The Newman Government is committed to delivering the best possible service for commuters and while improving affordability and reliability, the government also remain focussed on service improvements.

The government is currently undertaking a major review of the Cleveland, Gold Coast and Beenleigh timetables, to improve frequency and travel times. The government understands that commuters want improved frequency and this review seeks to enhance service delivery on the Cleveland line.

The review is expected to be completed later this year and improvements due to begin from early 2014. I will keep the Member for Bulimba updated as the review progresses.

Yours sincerely

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