

Tax White Paper Task Force
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Submission to the Taxation White Paper

The Australian Automobile Association (AAA) is the peak organisation representing Australia's motoring clubs. The AAA's constituent clubs are the NRMA Motoring and Services, RACV, RACQ, RAC (WA), RAA (SA), RACT, AANT and the RACA. Combined, these clubs represent more than seven and a half million Australian members.

The AAA appreciates the opportunity to provide input into the Australian Government's Tax White Paper process. The AAA shares the Government's stated objective of developing a national taxation framework that is transparent, fair, and efficient.

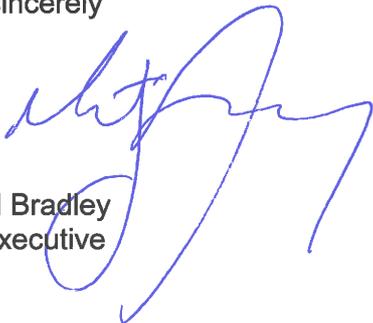
Australia needs an effective taxation system which can deliver the required funding for much needed infrastructure. Existing arrangements, especially in the transport sector, do not provide sufficient funding to address the required infrastructure needs.

Motorists are currently subject to a range of taxes and charges, which are likely to raise in excess of \$35 million in 2015-16 across all levels of government. However, the return motorists get in terms of infrastructure investment has historically been low.

Our submission details the inadequacy of current taxation arrangements for motorists and outlines a pathway for reform which provides a clear link between the taxes motorists pay and expenditure on land transportation.

I trust these issues will be of use to the Government as it prepares its options paper outlining possible reforms to improve the tax system.

Yours sincerely



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