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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I am writing this letter in the hope that you will read it, think about the predicament that we, the elderly and incapacitated people will be in, when you change the trains from city stop in Newcastle.

I myself am on a walker and as I moved here from Sydney 14 months ago I try to get down to Sydney to visit my children and the grandchildren every so often. It is hard enough on the buses at times to accommodate my walker but at least on the trains starting in Newcastle city, I was assured of a seat and necessary room for my walker.

If the trains are moved to Broadmeadow or Wickham, myself and lots like me will be disadvantaged in the following ways:-

1. I personally would have to catch two buses,
2. Because Broadmeadow is a busy station, even if I could get there, the availability of seats and room for my walker etc would be impossible. This would also apply to people using wheelchairs and walking sticks etc.

Whereas trains starting from Newcastle city means we are at least guaranteed the seats and room that we need.

I feel we (elderly and infirm) have not even been taken into account in this issue. We are still here doing our best to live our lives as the government is always telling us to do, "get out there and live your lives". "We will help you." But then up comes issues like this (trains) and it leads us to believe that we are being paid lip service only and that in reality you would all wish us to go away.

"Bring on the Euthanasia vote". By the way I am okay in the brain and I mean every word of this missive.

Yours sincerely

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PS. Maybe the media can help us if all else fails

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