

## **Media Release**

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## Keeping our members and the community moving

The RAC today took another step to improved mobility for its members and the community with the announcement that Professors Allan Fels AO and David Cousins AM have been commissioned to conduct an independent Review into the taxi industry in Western Australia.

The RAC, as an input to the Review, is also conducting a survey to understand the views of Western Australians when it comes to using taxis in WA.

RAC Executive General Manager Patrick Walker said the Review commenced in May, and initial discussions and briefings had already been held with the State Government and other key representatives from the transport industry.

"We have commissioned the Review to help inform our advocacy priorities which are focused on ensuring our members have access to better transport options," Mr Walker said.

"This is why increasing the flexibility, efficiency and affordability of the services provided by the taxi industry will be key elements of the Review."

Professor David Cousins said the findings will provide opportunities to take transport options in WA forward.

"The Review will also reflect on the reforms introduced by governments over the past decade."

An important element of the Review will include understanding the views of Western Australians and consultation with our taxi industry, State Government and key stakeholders.

The Review is expected to be provided to the RAC to consider by the end of the year.

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