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McDonald MP, Labour's Shadow Transport Secretary, commenting on reports that reforms to the rail fare system will be trialled this May, said:

"It's welcome news that simplifying fares will be trialled but it is clear that this is just tinkering around the edges.

"Privatised rail has created a fragmented system with a jumble of operators offering a complicated array of fares for passengers to navigate.

"Passengers don't want to shop around for tickets, they want to get from A to B for the cheapest price. This is why Labour will bring our railways back into public ownership, creating an integrated national network with simple and affordable fares for all."