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The Committee Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs
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Canberra ACT 2600

Living Longer Living Better Legislation

AMP Capital manages the largest private sector investment in residential aged care in Australia. On behalf of our clients we have some \$A300m invested in the aged care portfolio we manage. This represents a significant and strategic contribution to the future and sustainability of aged care. The first investment in the sector on behalf of AMP Capital clients was in 1999, and this was followed by further investment in 2005, 2008 and 2010. Subject to continued certainty in Government policy and regulation, AMP Capital and its clients will continue to invest and support growth and development of the Australian aged care industry.

AMP Capital is supportive of the Living Longer Living Better legislative package.¹ AMP Capital acknowledges that the change in accommodation payment arrangements contemplated by the legislation may have consequences for investments in aged care. However, AMP Capital is also satisfied that there is an appropriate balance in the responsive, independent and transparent review mechanism available to investors through the Aged Care Financing Authority Operating Framework.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss the proposed legislation and relevant aged care policy with the Committee. If the Committee has any questions relating to this letter please contact us and we would be happy to provide further information.

Yours sincerely

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¹ Aged Care (Living Longer Living Better) Bill 2013; Aged Care (Bond Security) Amendment Bill 2013; Aged Care (Bond Security) Levy Amendment Bill 2013; Australian Aged Care Agency Bill 2013; Australian Aged Care Quality Agency (Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013