

28th February 2010

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to object to the proposed changes to military superannuation.

Due to the uniqueness of military service there superannuation must be administered under a separate scheme, military personnel, apart from putting their life on the line for our country, are a breed apart they are not even permitted, to have any representation, if two or more personnel go together to complain together it is called mutiny, a chargeable offence.

Civilians find this hard to fully comprehend; also having 3 union members and only 2 military members in a mixed board would put military members even further behind than they are now as the 3 would out vote the 2 because of their lack of understanding.

Consider also that a civilian will get overtime pay, shift loading, rostered days off, ect. Military personnel get none of these things.

As Mr. Rudd said, and I quote, Military service is of the highest calling our country can ask of its citizens, end quote.

There are many more things I could say but I feel the above is enough to make my point, I urge you please to vote against this bill.

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A Vietnam veteran 69/70