

To
Committee Secretary Senate Legal and Constitutional Committee PO Box 6100 Parliament
House Canberra ACT 2600 Australia

Re: Migration Amendment (Visa Capping) Bill 2010 [Provisions]

Dear Committee Members,

I would like to express my views on the proposed bill. I am an Australian citizen and living here for the last 8 years. I love this country; it has given me opportunity and a good standard of living. I feel proud to be a part of a true democracy and a country loved by all. Now a days I am at pain because of the new proposed bill as it not only affects me directly as my sister and brother in law who are here for last 4 years studied and worked hard but also all the other people (147,000 as per DIAC). My sister has applied for Permanent Residency in 2008 and still no news.

I think this bill is unfair, unjustifiable and lacks transparency. It will not only tarnish the image of Australia but also give a wrong message to current and future migrants and citizens like me who have always supported the Labor party and always voted for them. I feel cheated by this bill and irrespective of the outcome I am not going to vote for labor any more, a sentiment shared by my whole community. If the Hon. Minister is so concerned about the long queues then he should have acted initially instead of now. I have a question for the minister; how much money does he want to return? AUD \$ 2500.00, sorry this is unacceptable as the application was never been made according to the proposed bill. Therefore, please return the time (years) these people have spent here along with all the tuition fees, taxes and other expenses.

Therefore, I would like to request to the Hon. Committee to reject this bill in its current form.

Thank you