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Dear Sir/Madam,

Air Services Amendment Bill 2018

I am writing to urge Senators to support this Bill as a way of providing some relief to residents in our area and Inner Melbourne generally, from the constant flights by light planes, helicopters and large aircraft over our residential area.

The traffic of all of these types of aircraft has substantially increased over recent years and now constitutes a severe impact on our ability to enjoy being in our homes and gardens. I am also worried about the safety risks of unregulated air traffic over such a densely populated area and the risk of terrorism.

The worst aspect of the constant noise and frequent vibrations is the impact on people's health. I am upset to see my mother, who has a chronic medical condition, suffering as a result of this impact and not getting any respite.

It is fundamentally unjust that at present the people affected by the flights have no avenue of being heard and the Bill will remedy this. It will also provide some measure of control over the flights which are currently taking place without any air traffic supervision.

I hope that the Committee will support the Bill and its passage into legislation.

Yours faithfully

Stefanie Faubel