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Committee Secretary Senate Standing Committees on Community Affairs

Hi there!

I would like to to make submission regarding of four weeks in twelve months portability clause for Disability Support Pensioners!

I'm highly upset and disappointed in this part of new measures in following budget, and I think this is highly discriminatory! We on disability support pension

are going to feel as in prison with only chance to travel overseas four weeks in twelve months, and after that we will be loosing all rights as disability pensioners!

I must remind you, most of us didn't get status of pensioner for nothing but because of different sort of disability we had! We don't expect government and tax payers to pay

for our "holidays" but to give us chance to stay independent as much as possible and allowed us to retain status of DSP on same way as in old legislation , or at least

to make possible to travel for longer period of time within 12 months without losing rights as DSP. We don"t ask to be paid while overseas, but to retain status without need

to go pain full process of job capacity assessment and all in connection to get DSP back! I do apologise for bit messy letter, but I'm not very computer familiar, and in same time very sad and upset!

I'm sure You will understand what is main concern about, and there will be chance to say to member of senate who will discuss about new measurements in new budget! With Kind Regards!