

Committee,

So you want everyone in the South West to move to Perth?

We have a boy who is eligible for tertiary study, and wants to be an architect or planner, but you have made it so hard for people in the South West of WA to get their kids to uni. Unless they want to study surfing (yes I'm serious – Edith Cowan offers a BSc course in surfing in Bunbury) accounting, or nursing, they have to go to Perth, but most of the South West - by Centrelink measure is considered to be commuting distance to Perth. Try it!!

We have a farm , an asset worth \$1 million plus, which currently earns \$30 000 a year, but costs \$60 000 to run. My wife works off farm to keep us afloat, so without youth allowance, she now will have to work just to send the boy to uni to get a better chance than living in rural WA.

Also, with the complexity of the scheme, and the way information is presented – no two families I have discussed this with have arrived at the same answer as to their eligibility.

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