

Senate Inquiry Submission

Paid Parental Leave
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Please amend the Paid Parental Leave to stop discriminating against those families who choose not to send their preschoolers to an institution to care for but choose to care for them in their own home themselves. Stop the huge increase in institutionalised children, this is a social experiment that is doomed to fail. Even puppies have to be socialised with the mother dog until the time is right for them to leave their mother. Children are best cared for in the family home by their own parents, especially children under three years of age. Children under three who are put into institutions have poor cognitive development, especially of the cortex which is that part of the brain which handles emotion. Children with a poorly developed cortex are also shorter. Protect children from institutions. Stop favouring mothers who work outside the home, all women work just some work in their own homes.

The current baby bonus scheme already gives money to the right people at the right time, don't change it. All mothers having babies then receive equal assistance. Remove the "work test" and "income test" provisions.

The proposed parental leave will not boost fertility. In Australia today it is those mothers who have 3 or more children who provide over 50% of the children. Don't discriminate against established families as they are the most fertile asset for Australia.

The paid parental leave needs to be amended so that those women who choose to terminate their children via abortion don't get this parental leave.

Provide for the future of Australia by encouraging mothers to stay home and care for their own children. Paid parental leave is discriminatory childcare funding, stop it now.

Please think of what is best for the children of Australia and its future.

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