

Dear sir or madam,

I am writing to oppose the capping bill for the reasons as follows:

Firstly, it will be a retrospective legislation if the bill is enacted. 'treat outstanding applications as never having been made' denotes its retroactive nature.

Secondly, it is utterly unfair and unjust to those who have lodged a valid application and been waiting anxiously for years. Because these applicants have not right to vote, radical changes in the migration policy become the vehicle in the election year for the Rudd government to draw poll. Yes, Australia has successfully cut immigration by so and so percentage, BUT at cost of ruining Australian hard-earned reputation and millions of dollars that will rise from lawsuits attracted by this would-be law. None of the immigration countries, like Canada and New Zealand has resorted to cull application by using retrospective law.

Thirdly, this bill, once enacted, will give DIAC enormous power that can be abused.

Thank you for reading this letter and I hope proud Australian who have high moral standard will not let this terrible thing happen.

Regards,