

Senate Inquiry Submission  
Paid Parental Leave  
Department of the Senate  
Canberra ACT  
Dear Members,

I wish to make the following submission to your Inquiry into Paid Parental Leave.

Please avoid discrimination in payments of paid parental leave and ensure All Mums receive "equal" payments .

Surely equal payments to all new mothers is the most efficient cost effective procedure to administer this noble scheme.

I firmly believe that mothers who elect to remain at home are just as deserving of Paid Parental assistance.

There should NOT be "work tests/income tests."

Please delete from the Draft Bill the sections that refer to these tests.

The draft bill gives Paid Parental Leave for stillborn babies.

In some cases aborted babies are recorded as "stillborns".

Please avoid any doubt and amend the bill to ensure Paid Parental Leave funding does NOT go towards babies who "die" after birth, as a result of elective terminations.

Yours sincerely,

Jim McCormack