

House of Representatives Standing Committee
on Family and Community Affairs

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Secretary INQUIRY INTO CHILD

SUBMISSION - CUSTODY ARRANGEMENTS IN THE
EVENT OF FAMILY SEPARATION.

We ARE GRANDPARENTS OF 2 BOYS - PARENTS
OF THEIR FATHER.

MANY ISSUES HAVE ARISEN WHICH SEEM
TOTALLY UNFAIR TO THE FATHER. These
ISSUES LISTED BELOW MAY HELP WITH
THE COMMITTEE INQUIRY.

ISSUE 1. AFTER 27% OF THE FATHERS
WAGES ARE TAKEN OUT & GIVEN
TO THE BOYS MOTHER - WITH RENT
TO BE PAID - Living expenses - HE
IS LEFT TO VERY LITTLE.

ISSUE 2. The MOTHER UPON RECEIVING 27%
OF FATHERS WAGE - EARNS A WAGE
HERSELF PLUS RECEIVES MONEY FROM
CENTER LINK. APPEARS FINANCIALLY
COMFORTABLE

ISSUE 3. The FATHER IS NOT ENTITLED
TO LEGAL AID - NEEDS TO PAY
A SOLICITOR FOR DIRECTION -
WHEREAS THE MOTHER IS ENTITLED
TO LEGAL AID

ISSUE 4. WHERE ARE THE SUPPORT
GROUPS - IF ANY - FOR BOTH
PARTIES

ISSUE 5. WHY CAN'T THERE BE ONE
GOVERNMENT BODY - WHO HAS
THE INTEREST IN BOTH PARTIES

ISSUE 6. THE WAY THE SYSTEM WORKS
NOW SEEMS TO BRING NOTHING
BUT DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY
TO ALL INVOLVED

HOW CAN ANY OF THIS BE GOOD
FOR THE CHILDREN - THE SYSTEM
SHOULD BE EQUAL FOR BOTH PARTIES
NOT SO ONE SIDED.

THE INTERFIGHTING - MIND GAMES PLAYED
BY THE PARENTS - MONEY BEING THE
GREATER ISSUE OVER THE CHILDREN.
SURELY THIS ALL MUST CHANGE.

Yours Faithfully

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