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(Inq into better support for carers)

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Dear Secretary

I wish to make a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth's Inquiry into Better Support for Carers.

As a Carer, I feel that my role is ....

FULL TIME WORK - NEVER ENDING

I face the following problems ...

MY ROLE IS NOT UNDERSTOOD BY THE GOVERNMENT,  
1/28 MY SON DRESSES AND FEEDS HIMSELF BUT HE  
CAN NOT ORGANISE HIS TIME, FINANCES, GOALS OR APPOINTMENTS  
I CAN NOT GET A CARER ALLOWANCE EVEN THOUGH HE  
REQUIRES ME TO RUN AND ORGANISE HIS LIFE  
I need help with ...

JUST COMING AT TIMES I WOULD LIKE FOR SOMEONE  
TO STEP IN WHEN I AM NOT ABLE TO

I think the Government can better help Carers by ... HAVING TAX FREE TRUSTS FOR THE FUTURE,

RECOGNISING THE CONTRIBUTION OF CARERS WITH ADULT  
CHILDREN WHO HAVE LESS SIGNIFICANT DISABILITIES  
AS THEY CAN BE AS TIME/ENERGY CONSUMING. MORE  
SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND LIFE SKILLS TRAINING WOULD ALSO

Thank you for taking my views into consideration as part of the Committee's Inquiry. I look forward to reviewing any recommendations you make to improve life for Carers in Australia. TRUDY

Yours sincerely

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