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Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth
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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 CARER FOR 90yr old Husband.

my age 80. MARRIED 60 yrs. dont have help of any sort AT THE MOMENT. am able to be independant

I face the following problems ...

my strength, frail health. in foreseeable future, our unit is set up better than Hostel or Nursing home. but because we are NOT DND. or Hospital patients, we have to buy equipment such as bed to make IT EASIER TO CARE 24 HOURS. IT IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR my Husband AT THIS TIME I need help with ...EASIER ACCESS TO THESE THINGS.

cleaning + providing access to equipment to keep people at home without charge. podiatry, at home, haircut at home, costs \$40. now. so dont have one. Too much trouble getting to centres.

I think the Government can better help Carers by ...

EXTRA MONEY TO SUSTAIN REASONABLE HEALTH, LIVING STANDARDS \$50. suggest.
also equipment to hire or buy is out of the question on pension.
1/2 price TAXI should automatically have CARER access to use independant, whether husband is in car or not. buses are too slow to leave husband alone. To stop

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.

Yours sincerely
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