

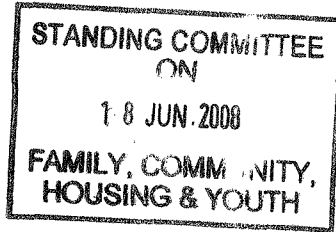
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To:

Committee Secretary  
Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth  
PO Box 6021  
House of Representatives  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600  
AUSTRALIA

A.O.C. 27/6/08

Submission No. 220  
(Inq into better support for carers)



13/6/08.  
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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 ....

CARING/LOOKING AFTER THE NUMEROUS NEEDS OF: ① MY <sup>PHYSICALLY</sup> DISABLED HUSBAND AS WELL AS ② MY 2 TEENAGE CHILDREN & ALSO ③ MYSELF WHO IS DISABLED DUE TO I face the following problems ... NEURAL ILLNESS (DEPRESSION.)

LIMITED FINANCES TO DISABILITY SUPPORT PENSION INADEQUATE & ~~DOES NOT~~ COVERS ONLY PART OF OUR COSTS / EXPENSES. OUR ACTIVITIES ARE EXTREMELY RESTRICTED WHICH I NEED HELP WITH ... A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON OUR CHILDREN,

AS A KIWI LIVING IN AUSTRALIA (I PAID <sup>LATED</sup> BENEFIT BY NZ GOVT.) I'M TOLD I AM NOT <sup>YES</sup> ELIGIBLE FOR CARERS' ALLOWANCE - ALBERT ONLY \$50 PER WEEK IT WOULD HELP US

I think the Government can better help Carers by ... CONSIDERABLY PAYING NEW ZEALANDERS (LIVING IN AUSTRALIA) THE CARERS' ALLOWANCE WHICH THEY DON'T AT PRESENT INCL. THE LUMP SUM PD. IN JULY EACH YR.

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  
[Sign your name here]  
HEATHER  
[Print your name here]

\* ESPECIALLY WITH RISING MORTGAGE COSTS!

& WE HOPED THAT WE COULD USE THE LUMP SUM (DUE TO BE PD. JULY '08) TO UPGRADE OUR COMPUTER, WHICH <sup>IS NOW ESSENTIAL TO</sup> THE FAMILY FOR SOCIAL & EDUCATIONAL REASONS

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