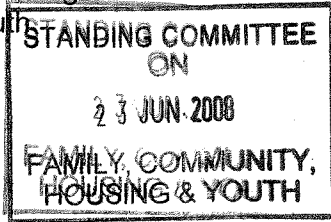


Committee Secretary
Inquiry into Better Support for Carers
House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,
Community, Housing and Youth
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Submission No. 313
(Inq into better support for carers)
A.O.C. 30/6/08



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.

I am submitting to the Inquiry because...

I feel as carers we need better support in finance what job does one do 24/7 for \$90.00 a fortnight.

More information is attached on a separate sheet

1. The role and contribution of carers in society

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

Slave labour, but I care + love the family member that I care for.

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2. The barriers to social and economic participation for carers

As a carer, I face the following problems ...

Restricted to time, having meals at certain times. Watching the clock, Budget, when you only rely on allowance + pension.

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3. The practical measures required to better support carers

As a carer, I need help with ...

I feel in my situation I cope with the situation but help with a ph. that is Hearing friendly would be great as my father is hearing impaired + will not answer the ph.

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4. Strategies to assist carers to access opportunities and choices

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

Pay better for a job that is 24/7. I know it is cheaper to pay carer's allowance and to put someone into care. The Gov. don't even pay us sick pay if we have used up our allowed days perhaps for a holiday if we go over we are not paid if we are hospitalised or ill.??

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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

Lorraine

Print your name

17/06/08

Date