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Child Support Legislation Amendment (Reform of the Child Support Scheme New Formula and Other Measures) Bill 2006

CSA ASSESMENT FOR NON-CUSTODIAL PARENTS SET TO *INCREASE BY 1000% OR MORE FOR SECOND FAMILIES UNDER THE NEW FORMULA*

I would submit to the honourable members that the new formula is extremely draconian in its calculations for non-custodial parents with existing at home children (commonly called 'second families'), who are easily some of the most financially disadvantaged in our society.

As an example, an at home mother on \$35,000 with 3 teenagers living at home per annum would currently pay **\$320** pa in Child Support for 2 non-custodial children.

Under the new formula her Child Support payment would be **\$3572** or over **1116%** increase.

On an income of only \$35,000 it would be near impossible for her to find the extra \$3252, her 3 at-home teenagers would be seriously and irreparably damaged by such a draconian payment under the new formula.

Professor Parkinson is well aware of these figures, but chooses to ignore them, calling them 'anomalies' and hoping no-one will notice. (calculations attached next page) You are welcome to have Professor Parkinson confirm the figures, and he may call me for any clarification he requires.

It is with you honourable members that the last gasp of hope for people with second families can be aired. Please do not also ignore our plight.

Thank You,

Robert Mallard

CURRENT SYSTEM ESTIMATE FROM www.csa.gov.au

The following Information was used to calculate the estimate:

Case related children

Number of Case Related Children: 2

Payer Specific Information

Payer Income Details

Annual Taxable Income: \$35,000

Payer's Other Dependent Children

Child	Level of Care	Age
1	Sole = 256+ nights	16+
2	Sole = 256+ nights	16+
3	Sole = 256+ nights	16+

Payee Specific Information

Payee Income Details

Annual Taxable Income: \$0

Notes and Calculations:

Formula = Minimum Assessment

Formula = 320

Estimate = \$320 Per Year

NEW SYSTEM ESTIMATE FROM:

<http://www.facs.gov.au/internet/facsinternet.nsf/family/childsupport.htm>