

Committee secretary;  
Community Affairs Committee  
Department of The Senate  
P.O. Box 6100  
Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600.

Dear Sir;

Re: Submission to the inquiry into the provisions of the child support Legislation Amendment  
( Reform of The Child Support Scheme New Formula and other measures ) Bill 2006.

I would like to make a submission to the Senate Standing Committee for Community Affairs.

It is understood it was available to the public for only 8 days and it closed on the 22nd September 2006.

That to many parents is not democracy, but rather inhumane and discriminatory to both the parents involved that are affected, including the children.

As a member of PACSA ( Parents Alienated by The Child Support Agency ) in Queensland - I have a few home truths, I want to submit about my own case as a non custodial parent, my partner who is custodial parent and that of others we know who feel likewise. Many of us are in reality brewing vessels against the Australian Government because of these issues and we make our vote as a result of these. The best way to diffuse this anger is to allow time to listen to the many hurting families and their plight.

If the democratic process is not seen as fair by the people who put you all into power - then the people will have no alternative but to take the law into their own hands; with grave consequences for those involved on a social level and economic level. What these consequences are and when they could take effect, remains to be seen. Already we have had a taste of it in Sydney with the racial riots of low income families in gang wars and also recent terrorism issues coming from withing our own climate.

Much of that anger can be easily quelled with some time to assess other perspectives and allow some simple communication. Many do not have the money to travel to public meetings or seek out Members of Parliament to commune with. Whats more - form my own experience with some MP's they are not interested in the subject at all, and simply make them selves unavailable for discussion. Unfortunately this stone walling, only fuels the revolt.

Whether it is realized or not, we are breeding today - and accelerating the process when the well meaning Government offers mothers money to have more kids; one for mum one for dad and one for the country - a new generation of Children who will become so bitter and twisted against all Authority in a few years time - simply because the Government of today, intervned upon their parental territory and family rights, with the aid of Police, Courts and the Child Support Agency. Already I know kids who are feeling the damage done and hate all authority as a result.

I believe it would be not only sensible, but wise, for more input to be allowed before anything goes to Parliament on this subject of Child Support. When serious decisions are made by people without all the input - and especially by people who have little relevance to the lives of my children, my partner and I personally, not even knowing our circumstances that their decisions are effecting - then that is a recipe for disaster.

Sincerely yours;  
Kimbal Summers.