Submission

to

Senate Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Legislation Committee

Higher Education Support Amendment (Abolition of Compulsory Up-front Union Fees) Bill 2005

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To the Senate Committee on the 2005 Bill for Voluntary Student Unionism.

I wish to add my voice of **disapproval** to the bill overturning compulsory student union fees at universities. I am a student at Macquarie University and the services provided by union fees, while not directly important to me are **important** to many of my fellow student. Services such as childminding, sports clubs, film societies enhance university life. Childminding services provide a means for many to attend uni. I oppose the approach to education advocated by the Howard Government ie, turning universities into profit motivated businesses and strongly oppose any further measures that erode the quality of access to education for all Australians.

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