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Special Minister of State
Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) Bill 2002
House of Representatives
Parliament House
Canberra 2600
A.C.T.

To Whom It May Concern:

Upon making a request by telephone for a copy of the proposed Bill, members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) Bill No, 2002. A Bill for an Act about Life Gold Passes and for other purposes; I received the copy of the proposed Bill and read the whole contents accordingly.

I am a retired employee who used to work twelve to sixteen hours a day for many years. (I did not receive over time payment). I was forced to retire due to ill health at the age of Fifty Eight (58) years, where upon I received the princely sum of \$68,000.00 as a one sum superannuation payout for a thirty (30) year service as chief Inspector and/or Municipal Engineer. I am also a veteran of World War II who served in the Army in the seventh Division, A.I.F.

Please let me say **"I am disgusted with the proposal contained within the Bill."**

My firm opinion is that **NO ex Prime Minister or Senator or Member of Parliament or their respective spouse** should receive **FREE Air / Transport** travel upon their retirement from the Australian Parliament.

During a Members service in the Australian Parliament they receive extremely high salaries and their respective superannuation is more than generous, surely, more than enough to pay for the various Air / Transport costs after their retirement, (voluntary or otherwise).

All present recipients of free Air / Transport travel passes, should have such over generous scheme terminated forthwith.

Finally, I am a true and honest Australian who loves our great Country and who can be rather upset, when one becomes aware of such political corruption.

Yours Sincerely

Stan Knight

