

July 9, 2009

**The Committee Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and
Transport
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600**

Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to lodge this formal submission to the senate inquiry to express my distress and concern for us as to the disadvantage we are to incur from the Rudd Labour Government's proposed changes to the Independent Youth Allowance

My daughter deferred her university placement for 1 year and is currently overseas doing her GAP year at a school in the UK. I as a sole parent currently work 2 jobs to sustain her and need her to go to university next year, as does she want to begin her university studies

The proposed Rudd Government changes are unfair to the students and parents and you fail to understand how difficult it is to get your child to university.

Personally we have done what was asked of us to comply and you are just making it impossible for us to obtain the goals our children are trying to reach.

Please reconsider this in fairness to us all

Thankyou
Carol & Claire Henry

