

The Committee Sec.,
Senate Standing Committee on Rural
& Regional Affairs & Transport
P.O. Box 6100
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600



Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing in regard to the Rudd Government's proposed changes to the Independent Youth Allowance criteria.

I currently have a granddaughter in her gap year who will be adversely affected if these changes are implemented this year. She has been working very hard all year to meet the current criteria & was devastated to hear that she may not be able to realise her dream by missing

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out on her University courses in 2010.

I trust that the Government will understand the plight of these young achievers & not change the criteria for them to qualify for the Independent Youth Allowance halfway through their gap year.

Yours faithfully,
(Mrs) Dawn Adams