The only problem I have with the legislation is that my daughter delayed her tertiary studies for a year with the understanding that if she worked hard she could get independent status. She made a sacrifice to attain that status. The new legislation means that she is unnecessarily a year behind in her studies. The effect of the legislation for students in her position is retrospective. Making the implementation date June or July 2010 would remove this anomaly.

Thank you. Richard Marlin