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Re child support and arrangements for
separated families

Member for Riverina,
Mrs. Kay Hull M.P.

Dear Mrs. Hull

Being a grandmother and having two
of my children separated, I can see some things
that need attention

What happens if parents live a long distance
apart, such things as changing schools every
6 months or so, and also if a child has health
problems and under specialists and doctors
with weekly and monthly visits, also speech
therapy, these are examples of personal things.

One of my children, my son, lives in
[redacted], his wife and daughter live
in [redacted] and she won't even let him
have phone access weekly with his daughter
or any contact at all, [redacted]

[redacted] (he has ^{not} seen or spoken to his
daughter since Christmas 2001.

My daughter is a bit different case, she
lives in [redacted] with her two children
aged 14 and 9. Their father lives 20Ks
away and comes into town every day and
doesn't bother to see the children. He hasn't
had contact with 14 year old since January
for a few minutes then) and the 9 year old
early April was last contact, he spoke to her
in the street, no phone contact on
birthdays even.

These I don't want to see him as there
was never any love shown by him, he wouldn't
even know how to wipe a nose.

There has been no violence in either case.

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These are my own personal cases I suppose
there is many with similar feelings.
I feel this particular Bill needs a lot
more thought put into it.

Thanking you
Maureen Makings