



THE SENATE

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**Social Services Legislation Amendment (Omnibus Savings and Child Care Reform) Bill 2017**

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Thursday 9 March 2017**

**Committee Room 2S3**  
**Parliament House, Canberra**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
9.00 am	<b>National Social Security Rights Network (via teleconference) (Submission 9)</b> Mr Matthew Butt, Executive Officer  <b>Australian Council of Social Service (Submission 13)</b> Ms Charmaine Crowe, Senior Policy and Advocacy Officer Dr Cassandra Goldie, Chief Executive Officer (via teleconference)
10.15 am	<b>Goodstart Early Learning (Submission 14)</b> Mr John Cherry, Advocacy Manager  <b>Early Learning and Care Council of Australia (Submission 14)</b> Mr Bernie Nott, Co-Chair  <b>Australian Childcare Alliance (Submission 14)</b> Mr Paul Mondo, President  <b>Early Childhood Australia (Submission 14)</b> Ms Samantha Page, Chief Executive Officer
<b>11.15 am</b>	<b>Break</b>
11.30 am	<b>Australian Council of Trade Unions (via teleconference) (Submission 11)</b> Ms Belinda Tkalcevic, Director, Social and Economic Policy, ACTU Mr Christopher Watts, Social and Economic Policy Advisor, ACTU Ms Emeline Gaske, National Campaign Coordinator, Australian Services Union Ms Katie Biddlestone, National Campaign Coordinator, Shop Distributive and Allied Employees' Association (SDA) Dr Emma Cannen, Research and Policy Analyst, United Voice Ms Helen Gibbons, Assistant National Secretary
12.30 pm	<b>SNAICC - National Voice for our Children (Submission 12)</b> Dr Peter Lewis, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Ms Geraldine Atkinson, Deputy Chair  <b>National Association of Mobile Services for Rural and Remote Families and Children (Submission 10)</b> Mrs Anne Bowler, Chairperson Mrs Robyn Paterson, Vice Chairperson
<b>1.15 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>

2.00 pm	<p><b>National Council for Single Mothers and Their Children</b> Ms Terese Edwards, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p><b>Combined Pensioners and Superannuants Association (via teleconference)</b> Mr Paul Versteeg, Policy Coordinator</p>
2.45 pm	<p><b>Grandparents Australia (via teleconference)</b> Mrs Anne McLeish OAM, Director</p>
3.15 pm	<p><b>The Parenthood (via teleconference)</b> Ms Nicole Lessio, Principal Campaign Manager Ms Jane Johnston, Parent member</p> <p><b>National Foundation for Australian Women (Submission 8)</b> Mrs Marie Coleman, Chair, Social Policy Committee Mrs Frances Davies, Member, Social Policy Committee</p>
4.00 pm	<p><b>Department of Social Services (Submission 7)</b> Ms Cath Halbert, Group Manager, Payments Policy Ms Emma McGuirk, Branch Manager, Work and Study Payments Ms Anita Davis, Branch Manager, International and Means Test Policy Mr Matthew Hardy, Branch Manager, Family Payments and Child Support Policy Mr Russell DeBurgh, Branch Manager, Pensions and Integrity</p> <p><b>Department of Education and Training (Submission 7)</b> Ms Jackie Wilson, Deputy Secretary, Early Childhood and Child Care Ms Gillian Mitchell, Group Manager, Early Childhood Strategy Group Mr Jeff Willing, Branch Manager, Legislation Reform</p>
5.00 pm	<p><b>Adjournment</b></p>