

To whom it may concern:

First of all, I must say “Migration Amendment (Visa Capping ) Bill 2010 [Provisions]” is unfair and to some extent, dangerous, making a serious policy which may deeply impact the society just under command of one person. This is highly risky situation that the policy can be easily changed and frequently changed by one person every financial year. It will destroy the international credit of Australia government. Consequently, no migrants (including highly skilled person which Australia really demand) want to apply for the permanent residency in Australia under that unstable and uncertain policy. Reason is clear, no one want to sacrifice two or three years even more and hundred thousands dollars waiting for the visa application to be granted and one day just be simply told “no” with no reason. A responsible migration policy should draw a very clear statement and very stable criteria to all involved. It should be solid not flexible. Only “qualified” and “un-qualified” should be involved in the policy not “maybe”. If one day the migration policy will need to be forecast and all the participants need to guess what will happen this year, no one will trust Australian Government any more.

This migration amendment bill is unfair to Visa applicants. For example, me as an international student, I came to Australia about two years ago. I am well educated here in UTS and I have the skill to work for an Australian company, I’m determined to contribute myself to this country because I love and respect Australia as a fair, trustable and liberal country. I have worked part time for a local company and contributed huge tax to the community. Above all, the most important thing is, at the time I applied and be granted the visa, the policy was clearly stated that I can migrate to Australia if I am qualified in the migration point test. Now I am almost qualified to this system. If someday in the future when I am fully qualified to the criteria, and then I am told I can’t migrate to Australia, I will feel be cheated and betrayed. And this is truly and obviously unfair to me as a person spent so many time, efforts and money here.

I respect that Australian Government has, and of course has, its right to change the law and policy. What I think is the policy should only impact and released to the people who are deciding or will decide to move to Australia, not the people who already in Australia.

Thank you