

Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (2015 Budget Measures) Bill 2015 Submission 7 - Supplementary Submission

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Sean Mr. Sullevan,

The Returned & Services League of Australia (RSL), after consultation with the RSL's National Veterans' Affairs Committee, would not oppose an amendment to the Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (2015 Budget Measure) Bill 2015 to the awarding of costs by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) to a claimant when a claim had followed the single appeal path to the Veterans' Review Board (VRB) and the to the AAT. This process should mirror Section 357 of the Military Rehabilitation & Compensation Act 2004.

Yours sincerely,

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