

Dear Sirs/ Madams,

I wish to petition against the new proposed bill "The Migration Amendment (Visa Capping) Bill 2010.

I came into the country as a student in 2006 having 12 yrs of hospitality/ kitchen experience behind me (although I had that experience I could still not make the points as my age bracket was higher & was advised by lawyers to take the study route). Having spent \$25,000 for a 2 year course, more for living in Australia & then working in a similar field since 2008 (and paying tax at a salary of \$65,000 to the Australian Govt.) I still have no news about the PR & TR, I have filed ages back.

There are thousands of students in the same boat as me & I feel this bill (if & when it comes into being) is unfair & does not bode well for the Australian Government. I feel that if the government wants to clean up the migration mess it has let itself intothis is no way of doing it. For a few rotten apples they are deciding to randomly throw out the entire lot. The Australian Government has knowingly ignored the issue for the last few years & now suddenly have woken up & are making innocents suffer for their lack in being vigilant about the issue.

This is unfair & not the done thing besides which it will also negatively affect the credibility of the Australian government, who a few years back were bending over backwards to get people like us in the country as we were adding to their economy & now are doing a double turn by giving powers to one person/ department to ruin hundreds of lives & careers in the blink of an eye. Our lives have been in limbo since filing for our permanent residency... I am on a bridging visa since the last 1 yr & 7 months!!!! due to which I cannot plan holidays, cannot buy a business, cannot buy a house & now at the risk of being told that the government has changed its mind!!! To me that is ridiculous & its playing with our lives.... For what??? making us pay for the goof ups & mess that the immigration department has led itself into!!!

If they want to make any changes these changes should not apply to past/filed applications. If any bill or rule / law is passed it should only be applicable to new applications made after the bill is passed.

I would appreciate if you'll could think about the above carefully & in a fair & just manner. I want to be a permanent resident / future citizen of Australia but definitely not of an unjust country whose word I cannot believe in.

Hoping that my petition along with the hundreds that I know you will receive will help you in deciding against this bill.

Thanking you,

Regards

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