

To Senate Committee,

The proposed changes to the Migration Laws regarding students would severely impact on their lifestyles in economic, social and personal ways. Thousands of students have spent many thousands of dollars on meeting the costs associated with applying for entry to Australia, visas and meeting college entry fees. It would be disastrous for them to be forced back to their home countries after spending so much money.

The students here are an integral component of the Australian workforce, keeping stable the many large chain supermarkets, car washes and many more. So its not as though the students have been 'bludging' – they have been working hard to pay off their fees in hopes of achieving a better future for themselves.

Many have struggled under harsh conditions and taken out numerous loans just to gain entry. It would be extremely unfair to send them back in such a way. Frankly it would be unaustralian. Do not become hypocrites. Equality and Fairness are weaved into the Australian values and this is the time they will tested by our politicians.

Capping certain off shore applicants or depending on when they applied for their permanent visas, are some characteristics that could be considered.

Thanking you