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Submission for the Green Loans Program Senate Enquiry.

I have become an assessor, receiving an assessor's number, only to find I have being refused a contract by the Government. This has caused me undue personal and financial stress. I am living on poverty line trying to study a PhD at University and used what little money I had to sit the Green Loans Assessor course. My areas of concern are:

- I turned down a tutoring job in anticipation of doing Green Loans Assessments two days a week to provide income while I study for a PhD. I have now being left in a most difficult position of no income: just to survive.
- I used my resources on the course, insurance, opening up a company name, registration and police clearance with no means of returning the money paid out.
- I do not wish to become a burden of the state, on welfare.
- My chance of an income has been taken from me when I could have looked for other work. It is mid semester, and hiring at the universities only takes place at the beginning of the semester, leaving me stranded.
- I intend to be of benefit to Australia by improving my education; only to find my own Government's policies are making it extremely difficult to proceed.
- I am unable to pull out of my degree, and do not wish to, as I only have a three year scholarship for tuition, which does not allow for an extension. This leaves me in a dilemma.
- I have lost two months earnings from other work offered to me; which is now not available.

I would be very much obliged if you could look into this matter, as I did not go into this blindly, but as a suitable option to allow me to finish my studies in the time which I have been given. At a time when work is not freely available, particularly for a full time student who has a commitment to finish their studies within a certain time frame, a positive solution is required.

A resolution is required, which is beneficial to all, as my situation is creating stress and anxiety for reasons within the control of Government directives.

Yours faithfully,

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