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| From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: | Friday, 12 September 2003 11:05 AM Committee, FCA (REPS) Iarry.anthony@facs.gov.au CSA General Information Inconsistencies | Submission No: 1442 Date Received: 12-9-03 Secretary: |

Dear All,

Please consider these matters when looking at the CSA formula.

1. The exempted income amount for paying parent's who have dependant children. It is not fair nor adequate. In our case, according to the current CSA formula, we pay \$15 a day per child for the children of the assessment whereas we get an exemption equal to \$7 a day for our own child. If we have a second child this equates to \$4.60 per child per day. How can these children be so disadvantaged in this current system.

2.The average weekly earnings are listed as \$36213 but the maximum child support income is supposed to be 2.5 times this amount which would be \$90532.50 but is listed as \$119470.When I asked the agency why there was a discrepency I was told the amounts were different for payees and payers.

Paying parents need to be able to care for ALL their children equally and develop fulfilling relationships with every single one, not just be treated as someone's meal ticket.

Thankyou for your time

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