Submission No. 34 (Inq into better support for carers)

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-----Original Message----- **From:** allan **Sent:** Wednesday, 4 June 2008 5:12 PM **To:** Committee, FCHY (REPS) **Subject:** carers pension. being ripped off

My name is allan I am a carer for my wife. i work 17.5 hours a week ,i would like to know why my income and carers payment are added together at tax time,and i pay tax on income and carers payment. I am 67 the government wants pensioners to keep working , what incentive is their to keep working when they are taking tax on my pension. If i did not work i would not pay tax on pension so am saving government money by working i sent an email to wayne swan in january but am still waiting for reply.