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**To:** [Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee](#)  
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**RE: Proposed changes to the**

**Body Corporate Community Management Act 1997**

We write to express our deep concern regarding the proposal to change certain aspects of the above.

We are particularly concerned with the consideration being given to the way in which Body Corporate contributions are assessed. Further, we are horrified by the impact such changes would have on retirees and those on lower to middle incomes.

It appears to us that a very vocal, very powerful minority have decided it would be a good idea to have their million dollar plus penthouses assessed at the same rate as lower floor, one, two and three bedroom apartments.

Our understanding is that contributions for the former would reduce considerably, to the corresponding disadvantage to the latter. The reverse, of course, would be true of property valuations.

It would further appear that our government, is receptive to such ideas.

The result could well be that many, including ourselves, may have to sell their units - at a considerable loss - to seek alternative accommodation elsewhere.

**We protest at the very short time allowed for public submissions, let alone the implications of the proposal itself, which we consider inequitable and unjust.**

We wish this submission to be considered in the further progression of this matter.

John & Margaret Bayles.

