

Submission

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ACCOMMODATION IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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To Bruce Hatley-Smith M.P.
Chair
Social Policy Committee.

We wish to make a written submission to the Social Policy Committee in the hope that they will conduct an enquiry into overseas student accommodation in our area Mansfield and other areas in the Sydney Metropolitan Area.

We have lived in Mansfield for 44 years and have seen many homes sold to overseas investors modification made to improve the accommodation area and students moved in many without supervision.

These changes made within the homes are authorised by obtaining a "Complying Development Certificate" issued under the provisions of the State Environmental Planning Policy 2008 thus Councils are bypassed, neighbours are unaware of the changes made, and 6-8-10 students are then accommodated, and attend Macquarie University.

We both feel investors who are allowed to do this exploiting students, and have complete disregard for the area (lawns, gardens etc) should be dealt with severely.

Brian & Robyn Hamilton.