

OMNIBUS BILL FTB PPL Child Care and other savings

The National Foundation for Australian Women deplores both the content and process of the Bill now before the Parliament.

We urge the Parliament to reject the Bill

NFAW has consistently advocated for improvements to the basic Government Paid Parental Leave Scheme, and to child care. Our various submissions and statements on these matters are on our website.

We have consistently argued for the maintenance of appropriate basic supports for families, for young people, and for the aged.

This Bill seeks to introduce savings which have been consistently rejected since their first appearance in the Hockey Abbott Budget. It introduces new savings, and further modifies proposals for savings to Paid Parental Leave to fund changes to child care.

We are in support of improvements to child care. We have concerns about aspects of the current policy proposal.

We completely reject financing improvements to child care by means of reducing payments to women, to families, to young people, and to retired Australians.

Other savings options exist.

This Bill should be rejected.