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RE: Productivity Commission Report – Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) Status

ATTN: Karen Godfrey

Dear Karen

I am writing to you with great concern regarding the recommendations in the report that DGR status be removed for private education, healthcare & religious organisations.

My grandchildren all attend private independent schools that benefit financially from the DGR status. If this provision is reduced or removed it will mean that the cost of their education will become prohibitive. Private & business donations will not donate to these important & needed organisations if there is no tax benefit in supporting them.

The cost of education & care will increase dramatically. The result will be that the children will be forced to attend public schools which are already overcrowded, under-staffed & under-financed.

It seems that there is no benefit to anyone in this proposal & I appeal to the Commission that my concerns are given serious consideration.

Your Sincerely

Richard Bagshaw