

PETITION: DFRB/DFRDB AMENDMENT (FAIR INDEXATION) BILL

This is a petition regarding the: Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefit Amendment (Fair Indexation) Bill - Please see the attached Petition.

It has been initiated by Ewen Jones MP Federal Member for Herbert.

You will recall our call to arms for the ABC's Q&A Show when the issue of DFRB/DFRDB superannuation was raised. Despite the fact that we did not receive a fair hearing then, we proved that we can quickly galvanise a large number of veterans to get their point across.

WE NEED YOUR HELP AGAIN.

Even if you are a civilian who has never served or who knows very little about the defence force, but you support our defence personnel and you want them to be treated fairly, then we need your support as well.

Governments of all political persuasions have treated our veterans with contempt for far too long. And yet they readily, and easily, find Millions of dollars to look after illegal refugees, to cover the cost of a website for the unions and all types of other expenditure, but they refuse to look after those who have served our nation for 20 years or more. **THIS MUST STOP AND YOU CAN HELP STOP IT- JUST BY COMPLETING THE ATTACHED PETITION.**

We must have several thousand signed petitions if this is going to have any affect on a non-caring government.

Even if you are not a DFRB/DFRDB superannuant, you will probably know someone who is or you will know the surviving spouse of a DFRB/DFRDB superannuant. You will also know that the average DFRB/DFRDB superannuant receives a measly \$23,000.00 pa.

However, that is only a minor consideration when you consider that a surviving spouse of a DFRB/DFRDB superannuant receives only 5/8th of this. That's right a measly \$14,375.00 per year. Not much to live on is it?

Both these amounts are indexed twice yearly against the CPI. Yet we all know that the CPI is not a true indicator of the rises in the cost of living.

Even our Old Age Pensioners have their pensions indexed against the greater of the Consumer Price Index (CPI), or the Male Total Average Weekly Earnings (MTAWE) or the Pensioners and Beneficiaries Cost of Living Index (PBCLI). They didn't even contribute to their pension - not that we begrudge them of their pension.

ALL WE'VE EVER WANTED IS A FAIR GO.

It is time for every recipient of this email, serving, retired, veteran, non-veteran, DFRB/DFRDB superannuant, or not, or civilian to join in this action, to stand up for our uniformed men and women.

WE CANNOT COMPLAIN IF WE ALL SIT BACK AND DO NOTHING.

I implore you all, to print a copy of the Petition, complete the details, sign it and get as many of your mates, including your family, your friends, the people down the street, the people in the supermarkets, anyone to sign the petition, then post it to Ewen Jones MP, Reply Paid.
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Even if you are the only person to sign this Petition, then please do so and get it back to Ewen Jones ASAP but not later than 13th June. Ewen Jones is taking our fight to Parliament. Let's please not let him down.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT. DO NOT RELY ON SOMEONE ELSE TO DO ALL THE WORK. IF YOU DO THAT YOU HAVE ONLY YOURSELF TO BLAME IF WE FAIL TO GET THIS BILL PASSED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

PLEASE DISTRIBUTE THIS EMAIL THROUGHOUT YOUR OWN DISTRIBUTION LISTS.

Thanks for your support.

Neil Weekes. (Qld)