

HAVE YOUR SAY

Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (*Strengthening the Commitment for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures*) Bill 2018

Since 2011 over three million people, born overseas but not entitled to Australian Citizenship by descent have come to live in Australia. All of these people can apply for citizenship after living here for four years including one year on a permanent visa and correctly answering 12 out of 20 multiple choice questions.

The Australian Greens and Labor oppose changing the English test, in effect saying you do not need to be able to speak, read or write English to fulfill your role as a citizen.

The Labor Greens alliance has so far blocked all attempts to strengthen the requirements for Australian Citizenship.

Changes proposed by the Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment include:

- a new English test
- an increase in the general residency requirement
- applicants required to provide evidence integration into the Australian community
- the relevant Minister be allowed to take into account whether the applicant was a risk to security, a proven criminal, had cheated on the English test or had made any other relevant misrepresentation

This One Nation Bill has been referred to a Senate Committee and you are invited to make a submission by visiting www.onenation.org.au/haveyoursay

If you have any personal experiences relevant to your view on whether or not the proposed legislation in full or in part should become law, then please take time to tell your story.

Submissions close 5pm 27th of April 2018 EST.

Submissions must be more than 250 words and include your name and address

If you need more assistance please call my office on **02 4959 4833**

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