



**Hon David Cunliffe**  
**Minister of Immigration**  
**Parliament Buildings**  
**Wellington**

**STUDENT VISA CHANGES**

Dear Minister,

Recently your ministry made changes to the requirements for a student visa. There was an **increase in the application fee of up to 70%** and now international students must also complete expensive medical checks every **two years** where previously this was a one off exercise.

These two changes have caused a great deal of stress and extra expense for international students. This is a deterrent to new international students coming to New Zealand. Furthermore, this especially affects students in their second or third year who have been given no warning about these changes and must now meet the new requirements to continue their course.

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I request that your ministry commits to

- ⇒ **Not allowing student visa application fees to increase above the rate of inflation**
- ⇒ **Remove the requirement of a new medical certificate for renewing student visa after two years**

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_ (First Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Email Address)

- I am:  An international student  
 A domestic student  
 A staff member

Reply Requested:  Yes  No

\_\_\_\_\_ (Institution)



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