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Submission: My wife and I are self funded retirees and have Gold Opal cards, we live in the country and use our cards when we travel to Sydney, usually once a year. During our stay we help the local economy by using accommodation, purchasing meals, shopping and entertainment, if we were to loose our cards we would reconsider our holidays. As we are self funded we are saving the government thousands of dollars each year. The least the government could do is to allow us a Gold card in return. Have a real good think about what you intend to do as the self funded retirees have lot of votes. Ross and Carmen Wilson
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