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It appears that we are wasting our time with recommendations and reviews and Inquiries if nothing changes?

I have come to the conclusion through 11 years of experience that very few people care about workplace deaths.

Some pretend to care, but words mean nothing if there are no actions.

The behaviour of the Tasmanian Government has been appalling. Cruel. Unjust. Shameful.

They refuse to meet with us (the parents of a young man killed at work).

They refuse to answer our questions.

They continue to ignore two petitions of mine that were tabled in Parliament in April with over four thousand signatures calling for Legislative changes that help prevent workplace deaths.

They are denying any funeral or death compensation even though we were forced to outlay over \$123,000 in costs pertaining to our sons workplace death, which they contributed to (Coroners Findings).

They refuse to say which criteria we fail to meet for an exgratia payment.

They did not prosecute my son's employer, despite him admitting at the Inquest that he was not following OH&S LAWS, working to Australian standards, following rules and regulations, and did not have policies in place for his staff to know what to do when a boat did not come back on time.

They gave my son's employer (a political donor apparently) the most prestigious award in the State, the Premiers Award, after he had a workplace fatality.

I was promised an independent review into my sons death. Apparently the person conducting the review, worked in the Tasmanian Government for twenty years, may have known the people he was reviewing, and it seems did not read or listen to the Inquest transcripts. I want the review I was promised, and that my son deserves.

It has been 11 years, and my son who had his life stolen from him at age 24, has not received one ounce of justice. None. It seems he was disposable. And no one is doing anything about it!

We have had no support from Industry, the Unions, the employer or the Tasmanian Government. They do not care. My son's employer has never apologised to me for failing to keep my son safe.

Does Worksafe Australia hold Tasmania accountable for any of their actions? I was told that they would have to answer for their behaviour. Have they? I have seen no evidence of this. Please send me any evidence at all of you holding them to account. Any.

Not satisfied with contributing to my son's death the Tasmanian Government seems to be intent on causing serious health issues to the next of kin by their arrogant, shameful, dismissive, evasive, unkind, stressful, emotionally abusive and cruel behaviour towards the next of kin. They have been refusing to resolve workplace death issues for 11 years. They have been disrespecting my sons workplace death for 11 years. Can they do as they please?

The Australian Constitution says that a person cannot be treated less fairly because of the

State in which they live. Why is Worksafe Australia ignoring this, and allowing Tasmania to deliberately and unfairly exclude workers from the Workers Compensation Act? Please explain this to me.

I have been told that that some submissions don't even get read? I ask for a response to this email. Thank you. Robyn Colson.