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AM Agenda

SKY News Australia (National Australia)

Compere: **Ashley Gillan**

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Interview with Tony Abbott, Federal Shadow **Minister** for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, and Greg Combet, Parliamentary Secretary to the **Minister** for Defence, who discuss a comment made by Julia Gillard, Deputy Prime **Minister**, yesterday towards Christopher Pyne, Federal Shadow **Minister** for Education. Abbott says he thinks it was all very well humoured. Abbott says he think Rudd is the worst Parliamentarian as Prime **Minister** since Billy McMahon. They discuss an attack by **Wayne Swan**, Federal **Treasurer** on Joe Hockey, Shadow **Treasurer** yesterday where he said the Shadow **Treasurer** had the hide of a rhinoceros. They discuss last weeks turmoils for the Liberal Party. Abbott says Rudd is spending money like a drunken sailor and he still hasn't made a tough decision. Combet says the Government has made plenty of tough and important decisions like the \$42b jobs and economic plan. They discuss Abbott's comments last week where he said Australia couldn't afford another **pension** increase. He says Labor were the ones who voted against an increase in the Parliament when there was a \$22b surplus. Combet says since the Rudd Government was elected about \$2300 has been delivered for a single **pensioner**. Abbott says you can only give **pensioners** a fair go if the overall economic condition of the country is sound. Abbott says it is the policy of the Liberal Party to increase **pensions** by \$30 a week. Combet says this contradicts just about everything Abbott has been saying up to this point. They discuss climate change and the carbon reduction schemes. Abbott says their firm position is that we think that Australia has to reduce carbon pollution but it has to be done in ways that aren't going to destroy the economy.

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Interviewees: Greg Combet, Parliamentary Secretary to the **Minister** for Defence; Julia Gillard, Deputy Prime **Minister**, **Minister** for Employment, **Minister** for Education; Tony Abbott, Federal Shadow **Minister** for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs; **Wayne Swan**, Federal **Treasurer**

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08:30 News

ABC North & West SA (Port Pirie)

Compere: **Newsreader**

Program Ph: **08 8638 4830**

SA's **Council** on the **Aging** is pressuring the Fed Government for a big increase in pension payments as the Government considers the Harmer Review into the pension scheme. The SA Seniors Organisation says the proposed increase of \$35 per week is not enough and they are calling for a \$100 a week rise. **Yates** says regional pensioners need extra assistance.

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Interviewees: **Ian Yates**, Chief Executive, SA **Council** on the **Aging**

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08:30 News

ABC Riverland SA (Renmark)

Compere: **Newsreader**

Program Ph: **08 8586 1330**

SA's Council Of The Ageing is pressuring the Fed Government for a big increase in pension payments as the Government considers the harmer review into the pension scheme. The organisation says the proposed increase of \$35 per week is inadequate, and is calling for a \$100 per week rise. CEO **Ian Yates** says regional pensioners are in great need of extra assistance.

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Interviewees: **Ian Yates**, CEO, SA Council Of The Ageing

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Morning Show

ABC South East SA (Mt Gambier)

Compere: **Stan Thomson**

Program Ph: **08 8724 1000**

Interview with **Ian Yates**, CEO, Council Of The Ageing. The Fed Government is expected this week to receive the results of a major review into pensions which is tipped to include a recommendation that the single pension be raised by \$35 per week. That figure has come under criticism from the Council who says a huge number of people are already being forced to put off their retirement now until their seventies. **Yates** says this is the result of the economic crisis, and also the general concern of what kind of income they will have in retirement. **Yates** says the superannuation situation is pretty dire if one had just planned to retire, and over a period of time, it is an

equally important pillar of retirement, as well as the pension. **Yates** says a lot of people had got to shop to realise that super can go backwards.

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07:30 News

ABC Riverland SA (Renmark)

Compere: **Newsreader**

Program Ph: **08 8586 1330**

SA's Council Of The Ageing is pressuring the Fed Government for a \$100 per week increase in pension payments as the Government develops its pension reform. CEO **Ian Yates** says the current increase of \$35 per week is inadequate, and regional pensioners are in great need of extra assistance.

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Interviewees: **Ian Yates**, CEO, SA Council Of The Ageing

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