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Katter urges Minister to keep wheels going round at Meals on Wheels

KAP Leader and Federal Member for Kennedy Bob Katter used this week's Parliamentary sitting to ask the Aged Care Minister if he would cut regulations for essential volunteer service Meals on Wheels.

He asked the Minister for Senior Australians and Aged Care Ken Wyatt if he was aware of the increasing regulatory compliance in delivering what was a highly valued, respected and beneficial service for elderly residents to stay at home.

"Will he acknowledge that allowing the elderly to stay at home longer reduces the cost pressure on Government for residential aged care?" Mr Katter asked.

"Why is Meals on Wheels increasingly being captured in the same regulatory requirements as residential aged care, with volunteers spending more time meeting regulation than actually cooking and delivering meals in the community?"

In calling for action, Mr Katter asked if the Government would reduce the compliance requirements for this essential volunteer service – Meals on Wheels.

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