

Petition to the House of Commons

We, the undersigned residents of Canada, draw the attention of the House to the following:

THAT the Government of Canada is developing accessibility legislation to promote equality of opportunity, and increase the inclusion and participation of Canadians who have disabilities or functional limitations. The legislation being developed should have a proactive disability lens that identifies barriers for people with disabilities to ensure greater participation of persons with disabilities in their workplaces and communities. Currently, processes available to individuals to deal with disability issues are reactive and involve lengthy resolution processes.

THEREFORE, the petitioners request Parliament to put in place the necessary measures for a comprehensive proactive accessibility legislative framework that includes:

- a disability lens to be used to review all legislation, policies, practices and programs under federal jurisdiction;
- strengthening federal mechanisms to address issues for people with disabilities dealing with recruitment, promotion and retention in the federal sector including accommodation of disabilities; and
- strengthening and increasing the capacity of the Canadian Human Rights Commission to deal with complaints and employment equity audits in a timely and effective manner.

Signature (sign, do not print)

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