

Human Resources Legislative Update

Committee Invites Public Submissions on Proposed Federal Accessibility Legislation – Due October 25, 2018

Date: October 10, 2018

As we [previously discussed](#), in June 2018 the federal government introduced [Bill C-81, An Act to ensure a barrier-free Canada](#), accessibility legislation which will apply to certain federally regulated employers.

If passed, Bill C-81 will require certain organizations to identify, remove and prevent barriers in the following areas: employment, the built environment, information and communication technologies, the procurement of goods and services, the delivery of programs and services, transportation and other areas designated under regulations.

On September 26, 2018, the Bill was referred to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities (HUMA), which has commenced its study into the Bill. As part of that study, HUMA is seeking submissions from the public on the Bill.

Anyone wishing to make submissions is invited to do so by 5:00 PM on October 25, 2018, in accordance with the requirements on the [HUMA Study Page](#). Submissions are an opportunity for individuals and organizations to bring their views on the proposed legislation to the attention of HUMA, which will be conducting a clause-by-clause analysis of the Bill and then reporting its findings back to the House of Commons for consideration.

If you have any questions about Bill C-81 or the process to make submissions, please contact your [regular Hicks Morley lawyer](#).