


**REQUEST TO JOIN EXEMPTION APPLICATION LODGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL SERVICES (DSS) UNDER S55 OF *THE DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION ACT*
(1992) (CTH)**

I/We seek to join/support the exemption application submitted by DSS as follows:

- I/We seek a conditional one year extension of the exemption for all existing ADEs and the Commonwealth (and officers of the Commonwealth) from sections 15, 24 and 29 of the DDA, for a period of one year from the expiration of the current exemption on 29 April 2015.
- The proposed exemption would apply while alternative wage setting arrangements are implemented by ADEs that have not adopted a wage assessment tool other than the BSWAT.
- The proposed exemption would apply while alternative wage setting arrangements are being devised and/or established and implemented by DSS.

NAME:	Donna Bain
ORGANISATION:	Self Help Workshop Inc
POSITION:	General Manager and Public Officer
SIGNATURE: By signing this document I certify that I have authority to sign on behalf of the organisation named above	

COMMENTS
While Self Help Workplace expects to have completed its conversion to a new wage assessment tool by 30 th April 2015 (the current deadline), Self Help Workplace understands that some providers, particularly, smaller ADEs with limited resources may not have completed the transition by the existing deadline. An extension of the deadline would assist these providers to fulfil their obligations.