Dear Online Senate Submission. I have been provided with this link from Krystyna Homik from Senator Sue Boyce's Office

I am an adult on the Autism Spectrum and I wish to make the following submission 9th November 2011

I refer to an earlier email which I received from Taryna Smith highlighting my key concerns as an adult on the Autism Spectrum. These concerns are as follows:

- 1. Adults on the Autism Spectrum represent the highest unemployment statistics with only 12% in employment.
- 2. Disability Employment Agencies need to come on board with understanding the Autism Spectrum better in adults.
- 3. Australia needs to start employing adults on the Autism Spectrum in software as in the case of Autism Works in the United Kingdom Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.
- 4. Without a job adults on the Autism Spectrum have no quality of life, experience mental health issues and social isolation and cannot afford basic costs of living
- 5. Services and funding are required to adults to Autism associations to employ adults on the Autism Spectrum
- 6. More services are required to assist adults on the Autism Spectrum in terms of a lifestyle package to help with day to day living, social isolation etc
- 7. Adults on the Autism Spectrum want a job and not be confined to a welfare payment.
- 8. I hear from adults who are unable to get a job and want one and I cannot help them
- 9. More disability employment agencies
- 10. Incentives for employers to take on adults on the Autism Spectrum

Please let me know if my points suffice with the information you require

Kind regards Garry Burge