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To: <u>Community Affairs, Committee (SEN)</u>;

Subject: Spam: Submission to the Inquiry into the National Disability Insurance Scheme Bill 2012

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Please consider this email a formal submission by me to the Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs Inquiry into the National Disability Insurance Scheme Bill 2012.

The current disability system has many problems that need to be addressed.

We are parents of a 28 year old severely disabled daughter whom we care for at home. We are in our middle to late 60s and are very concerned that there has been no mention in the NDIS of permanent accommodation for the likes of our daughter. We need to know that she will be taken care of when we can no longer do the job. Added home care is not the answer in the long term.

The main features of the NDIS that will make a difference to the community are:

The ability to receive services when needed and in the way that suits the person, People with disability/family will influence the types of support and services offered, Older parents and families will not worry what happens when they can no longer provide support

The most important services for the NDIS to provide are:

Support for families and carers, Accommodation options, Case management, planning and coordination

I support the introduction of the NDIS.

It offers the real possibility of help where it is needed, as long as the administrators are genuinely open to the needs of disabled people and their carers.

I agree for my submission to be made public

Regards,

Mrs Heather-Jane Parks