



Bill C-81: the Accessible Canada Act

On June 20th, 2018, the Government of Canada fulfilled a promise to disabled Canadians that was decades in the making, when it tabled [Bill C-81: the Accessible Canada Act: An Act to Ensure a Barrier-free Canada](#). The new Bill seeks to identify, remove and prevent barriers by:

- a) Creating accessibility standards for the federally-regulated sector;
- b) Establishing clear lines of accountability for enforcement, including appointment of an Accessibility Commissioner who reports directly to the Minister of Sport & Persons with Disabilities;
- c) Developing a complaints mechanism for reporting harm resulting from failure to meet the standards;
- d) Raising awareness by establishing National Accessibility Week beginning the last Sunday in May.

