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**MEDIA STATEMENT BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN LAW REFORM COMMISSION**

**PROJECT 148: DOMESTICATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

The South African Law Reform Commission (SALRC) has approved the publication for consultation of Project 148 Issue Paper 39 on the Domestication of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. (UNCRPD).

The Issue Paper is the first document published by the SALRC during the course of this investigation and therefore does not contain any recommendations for law reform. The Paper aims to announce the investigation, initiate and stimulate debate, seek proposals for reform, and will serve as a basis for further deliberation by the SALRC. The issue paper contains questions aimed at discovering the issues at hand and the extent of the need for law reform.

The Issue Paper and the accompanying discussion points are published in a format accessible to be read by screen readers.

The SALRC would appreciate receiving comment and input from stakeholders on the Issue Paper. Comment may also be made on related issues of concern which have not been raised in the Issue Paper under discussion. Comments can be forwarded to [disabilityresponse@justice.gov.za](mailto:disabilityresponse@justice.gov.za). The return date for submission of comments originally set as 31 May 2021 has been extended to 30 June 2021.

The Issue Paper may be accessed for free on the SALRC website <http://salawreform.justice.gov.za> or interested parties may contact Mr J Kabini at (012) 6226327 for a copy.

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