

Amendment to General Business Notice of Motion No 1364

As listed on page 12 of today's Notice Paper in the name of Senator Steele-John, Brown and Griff

To move—

(1) That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) despite the hard-won progress of the disability rights movement, disabled Australians continue to be subjected to discrimination and are routinely denied the right guaranteed them under international law,

(ii) this discrimination creates and sustains the barriers to employment, education, transport, social and political participation experienced by disabled Australians and, most concerning, manifests itself in horrific violence, abuse and neglect to which they are subjected, and

(iii) from July to September 2018, over 184 incidents of abuse and neglect were reported to the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission (the Commission) – the Commission has also released data that shows in the same three months it received 62 reports of expected and unexpected deaths, 91 reports of injuries, 34 complaints against individual staff or service providers and 75 cases of unauthorised restrictive practices; and

(b) calls on the ~~House of Representatives~~ **Government to request His Excellency the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia issue Letter Patent to support the immediate establishment of establish a royal commission to investigate inquire into violence, abuse and neglect of disabled people people with a disability.**

(2) That a message be sent to the House of Representatives seeking its concurrence in this resolution.