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Thank you for the opportunity to make comment on the draft Disability (Access to Premise - Building) Standards, particularly the proposed changes to the Australian Standards.

It is requested that further consideration be given to providing greater discretion when applying the accessability requirements to heritage buildings within the BCA. This discretion should be separated from reliance on unjustifiable hardship.

Additionally, is is further requested that the amendments to the BCA provide clarification on whether shore lining is considered an acceptable solution in place of using TGSI's within the public realm (eg within open malls).

Regards, Garth Moore