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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES ON ECONOMICS PO Box 6100 **Parliament House** Canberra ACT 2600 economics.sen@aph.gov.au SUBMISSION REGARDING THE AUSTRALIAN CHARITIES AND NOT-FOR-PROFITS COMMISSION (REPEAL) (NO. 1) BILL 2014

Dear Standing Committee members,

I am writing to you to encourage you not to pass the bill repealing the Australian Charities And Not-For-Profits Commission. Our organization is a small not for profit. We have been in operation for 53 years. We have found the ACNC accessible, easy to use, and fit for purpose.

We're surprised to hear in the media that some other stakeholders were reporting that the ACNC added complexity. Our experience is that it has been significantly less onerous than reporting directly to ASIC. We also think that is has the potential to become even more effective over time.

Yours faithfully,

Sally Thompson

Chief Executive Officer