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MEMORANDUM TO:	Senior Business Officials
FROM:	Grant Osborn Director Capital Policy Branch
DATE:	September 10, 2012
SUBJECT:	Consultation – Ontario Regulation 191/11 of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005

I would like to bring to your attention a consultation that is currently being conducted by the Ministry of Community and Social Services (MCSS) related to the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005.* We are notifying school boards of this consultation as the outcome could affect the operations and construction of schools. Please note that the deadline for submitting comments to the MCSS is <u>October 1, 2012</u>.

The MCSS is seeking public comment on the proposed amendment to the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (Ontario Regulation 191/11). The amendment includes accessibility standards for the Design of Public Spaces (Accessibility Standards for the Built Environment) for external public spaces and housekeeping amendments to the regulation.

The proposed amendment to the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation is available for public review and comment on the MCSS' website, the Regulatory Registry of Ontario, and the Environmental Bill of Rights Registry until October 1, 2012. Comments can be provided by accessing the MCSS' website through the following link: www.mcss.gov.on.ca/en/mcss/programs/accessibility/built_environment/index.aspx

All the documents posted are available in alternate formats. Requests for alternate formats and all other inquiries about this posting should be directed to:

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Sincerely,

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