

**COMPILATION OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURES UNDERTAKEN IN
THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION ON THE
RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

This compilation of legislative measures undertaken in the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities is based upon data available to the Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities as of 26 August 2009. The sources of the data are:

(a) information received from States Parties and Signatories to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with disabilities in response to the request by the President of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention dated 18 June 2009 to provide inputs on recent legislative measures. Submissions were received from the following seventeen countries: Argentina, Australia, Chile, Germany, Guatemala, Jordan, México, Mongolia, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Peru, Philippines, Slovenia, Sweden, Swaziland, Tunisia and United States of America. Additionally, inputs were received from the Mayor's Office of the City of Cordoba (Spain);

(b) information received from Member States in response to two Note Verbales of the Secretary-General dated 22 April 2009 requesting inputs to two reports of the Secretary-General to the 64th session of the General Assembly. These two reports are: Status of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol thereto (A/64/128) and Realizing the Millennium Development Goals for Persons with Disabilities through the implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons and the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (A/64/180);

(c) other independent inputs and submissions from States Parties and Signatories.

In some cases, the information received was supplemented by independent research undertaken by the Secretariat. Provisional translation for informational purposes only was also provided by the Secretariat.

The Compilation has three parts: Part I contains legislative measures adopted on or after 2006, Part II contains reported legislative measures prior to 2006 and Part III contains other information (from 2006 onwards). The text of contributions from States are posted as received, in their original language, at:
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All information received as contributions from States Parties in response to the letter of the President of the Conference of States Parties to the CRPD except those marked * and **

* Information provided by Member States' inputs to reports of the Secretary-General to the 64th General Assembly.

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Part I: Legislative measures adopted in 2006 or after

This part contains information on recent legislative measures taken in line with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

Country	Title and date	Background	Main focus (corresponding articles of CRPD)
NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE MEASURES			
STATES PARTIES			
ARGENTINA*	National Law of Education Law 26206 27 December 2006	Guarantees inclusive education through policies and allocation of resources to ensure equality and respect for diversity without discrimination on any basis, including gender. Special education is also guided by the principle of inclusion.	Education (Art. 24)
ARGENTINA*	Law Number 26.472 Deprivation of liberty. 12 January 2009	Enables competent judges to mandate that prisoners can serve their sentences under house arrest if, <i>inter alia</i> , the prisoner suffers from an incurable disease and is in a terminal condition; has a disability and the premises are not sufficient or represent undignified, inhuman or cruel treatment; or is the mother of a child who has a disability.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Liberty and security of the person (Art. 14), Respect for home and family (Art. 23)
ARGENTINA*	Law Number 26.233 Law concerning Centers of Childhood Development 2008	Addresses the role of centers of childhood development to meet the needs of families with young children and their communities, including the social integration of children with disabilities and their families.	Respect for home and family (Art. 23), Children with disabilities (Art. 7)
ARGENTINA*	Law Number 24.314 Accessibility for the persons with reduced mobility 2007	Mandates accessibility under national jurisdiction. Complements the National Plan of Accessibility, Resolution CNAIPD Number 94/07, which promotes the implementation of public policies through the training and improvement of human resources and the implementation of national laws through modification of local laws.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
ARGENTINA*	Law Number 26.182 Housing for people with disabilities 1 November 2006	Allocates 5% of public housing for persons with disabilities or families with at least one member with disabilities who receives funding from FONAVI, the National Housing Fund.	Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)

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ARGENTINA*	Resolution Number 679/2008 25 August 2008	Establishes that all owners of broadcasting centers provide optional subtitles in all their programming.	Accessibility (Art. 9), Freedom of expression and opinion, and access to information (Art. 21), Participation in culture life, recreation, leisure and sport (Art. 30)
ARGENTINA*	Resolution Number 0606/2009 30 April 2009	Incorporates sign language into the "Common Basic Curriculum" for all subjects at the University of Buenos Aires.	Education (Art. 24)
ARGENTINA*	Resolution Number 1162/2008 2 December 2008	Approves the first step for the implementation of resolution number 679/2008: indicates the annual increase in hours of programming with optional subtitles. (See above reference)	Accessibility (Art. 9), Freedom of expression and opinion, and access to information (Art. 21), Participation in culture life, recreation, leisure and sport (Art. 30)
CHILE	Supreme Decree No. 2001 2008	Incorporates into domestic law the norms contained in the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.	General
CHILE	Law No. 20.255, Reform of the Previsional System 17 March 2008	Incorporates into the existing system, <i>inter alia</i> , a basic pension and support system for persons with disabilities; benefits for persons with disabilities with limited resources; and establishes subsidies for persons younger than 18 years of age with mental disabilities.	Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
CHILE	Law No. 20.201 31 July 2007	Stipulates subsidies provided to special education (educación especial diferencial). Increases the subsidy that the Government provides to educational establishments that have students with special educational needs and establishes measures for transparency in the evaluation system of students.	Education (Art. 24)
CHILE	Law No. 20.146 9 March 2007	Establishes, through the Court of Appeals, discrimination cases or any threats persons with disabilities may face in exercise of their rights; speeds up processing and resolution of cases in which the plaintiffs are persons with disabilities.	Access to justice (Art. 13)
ECUADOR*	Presidential Executive Decree N. 1188 1 July 2007	Declares that all sectors should develop or execute programmes on disability, such as the "System of Prevention of Disability, Attention and Provision of Technical and Medical Supplies", "Provision of Health Services, Training and Accessibility and the Registry of of Persons with Disabilities for Emergency."	General
ECUADOR*	Constitution of the Republic Section Six, Articles 47, 48 and 49 2008	Includes a chapter on "Persons with Disabilities".	General / Constitution
GERMANY	Allgemeines Gleichbehandlungsgesetz - AGG (The General Law on Equal Treatment), 14 August 2006	Prohibits discrimination based on race, ethnic origin, religion or belief, sex, disability, age or sexual orientation.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)

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GUATEMALA	El Diario de Centroamerica el Acuerdo Gubernativo 78-2009 17 March 2009	Designates a National Council (CONADI) to focus on persons with disabilities and charges it with questions related to the implementation on the CRPD and to produce the reports indicated in the Convention.	National Implementation and monitoring (Art. 33)
JORDAN	The Law on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2007	Provides a basis for the National Strategy for the Affairs of Persons with Disabilities (2007-2015); Art. 6 of the Law established the Higher Council for the Affairs of Persons with Disabilities.	General
MEXICO	Basic Law of Federal Public Administration (Article 39, chapter XXIII)	The Secretariat of Health is responsible for including participation of private and public assistance entities and programmes for the assistance, prevention, care, treatment for persons with disabilities.	Health (Art. 25)
MEXICO	Constitution, Article 1 Last reform published DOF 01 June 2009	Prohibits all discrimination based on ethnic or national origin, gender, age, disability, social condition, health condition, religion, opinion, preferences, marital status or any others threat to human dignity and nullity the rights and freedom of persons with disabilities.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
MONGOLIA	Decree Number 101 of the Minister for Social Welfare and Labour 8 July 2009	Establishes the National Committee on the Promotion of Citizens with Disabilities, which will serve as the coordinating body for the implementation of the CRPD.	National Implementation and monitoring (Art. 33)
NEW ZEALAND**	Mental Health (Compulsory Assessment and Treatment) Amendment Act 2008 No 82	Amends Mental Health Act 1992: removes outdated references mainly concerning compulsory treatment orders.	Equal recognition before the law (Art. 5) Work and Employment (Art. 27)
NEW ZEALAND**	Human Rights Amendment Act 2008 No 65	Amends the Human Rights Act 1993: explicitly adds understanding of reasonable accommodation in certain areas.	Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
NEW ZEALAND	The New Zealand Sign Language Act 2006	Recognizes the New Zealand Sign Language (NZSL) as an official language of New Zealand and the right of persons who are deaf to use it in legal proceedings, and sets out principles to guide Government departments in their recognition of NZSL.	Accessibility (Art. 9), Access to justice (Art. 13)
NICARAGUA	Sign Language Act 12/02/2008	Guarantees, through the Office of the Secretary of Education, the right to education in sign language for students with hearing disabilities.	Education (Art. 24)
PERU*	Supreme Decree No. 027- measures 2007-PCM of 2007	Establishes and defines binding national policies for the Government. All Governmental entities are required to promote, in each institution, increased employment of persons with disabilities; contribute to the effective participation of persons with disabilities in all aspects of life; eradicate all forms of discrimination against persons with disabilities; and implement effective oversight to ensure the dissemination of legislative norms that protect persons with disabilities.	General, Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Work and employment (Art. 27)
PERU	Supreme Decree No. 080- 2008-PCM 3 December 2008	Created the Multisectoral Permanent Commission for follow-up and implementation of the CRPD.	National Implementation and monitoring (Art. 33)

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PHILIPPINES*	Republic Act 9442 (amended Magna Carta for Persons with Disabilities) RA 9442; December 2008	Aims to eliminate discrimination against persons with disabilities.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
PHILIPPINES*	Presidential Executive Order No.709 26 February 2008	Established the National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) to replace the National Council for the Welfare of the Disabled Persons (NCWDP). This institutional change gives disability a higher political profile, which will strengthen Government programmes and financing efforts for persons with disabilities. The NCDA is tasked to monitor the implementation of all national laws relating to disability.	National Implementation and monitoring (Art. 33)
REPUBLIC OF KOREA*	Disability Discrimination Act 10 April 2008	Strengthens the protection of the human rights of persons with disabilities.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
REPUBLIC OF KOREA*	The Welfare of the Disabled Act February 2008	Revised the Welfare of the Disabled Act.	Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
REPUBLIC OF KOREA*	The Act on Special Education for the Handicapped, February 2008	Addresses issues concerning special education for the persons with disabilities.	Education
REPUBLIC OF KOREA*	The Enforcement Decree of the Act on Convenience Promotion of the Disabled, the Elderly and Pregnant Women, March 2008	Revised the enforcement decree of the "Act on Facilitation for the Disabled, the Elderly and Pregnant Women."	General
SLOVENIA	National Standard SIST ISO/TR 9527 URL RS, no. 100/02, 2002	Incorporates into the standards of building constructions the needs of persons with disabilities and persons with functional limitations.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
SLOVENIA	Spatial Planning Act Article 3 (2) 2002	Establishes obligations related to the built environments and accessibility for persons with disabilities by the Spatial Planning Act and by the Construction Act.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
SLOVENIA	Construction Act Article 2 and 17 2002	Establishes that all new public buildings and facilities as well as reconstructions should be accessible to persons with disabilities.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
SLOVENIA	The National Assembly Elections Act Official Gazette RS 54/2007 Article 79(a); 2007	Stipulates that district election commissions designate at least one electoral station accessible to disabled persons.	Participation in political and public life: Vote (Art. 29(i))
SLOVENIA	The National Assembly Elections Act Official Gazette RS 54/2007 Article 7, 2007	Stipulates the right to vote and to be elected for public office with regard to legal capacity and mental health disability. The court decides separately on the procedure for restriction of, or exercising, parental rights beyond 18 years of age concerning the right to vote and to be elected.	Participation in political and public life: (Art. 29)
SPAIN*	Real Decree 1544/2007 23 November, 2007	Regulates the basic conditions of accessibility and non-discrimination for the access and utilization of means of transportation for persons with disabilities.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
SPAIN*	Ministerial Order 446/2008	Establishes the specifications and criteria for accessibility.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
SPAIN*	Real Decree 505/2007	Specific initiative on accessibility that includes legislative measures on public urbanization and edifications.	Accessibility (Art. 9)

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SPAIN*	Real Decree 1497/2007	Establishes the use of accessible technology, products and services related to information and mass communication.	Accessibility (Art. 9), Freedom of expression and opinion, and access to information (Art. 21)
SPAIN*	Real Decree 366/2007	Establishes the conditions of accessibility and non-discrimination of persons with disabilities within the General Administration of the State.	Accessibility (Art. 9), Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
SPAIN*	Law 49/2007	Defines penalties for violations of the rights of persons with disabilities in the area of equality of opportunities, non-discrimination and universal accessibility.	Accessibility (Art. 9), Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
SPAIN*	Law 39/2006	Promotes personal autonomy and care of persons in situations of dependence.	General
SPAIN*	Real Decree 1612/2007	Guarantees the right of persons with disabilities to participate in elections through accessible voting.	Participation in political and public life: Vote (Art. 29{i})
SWEDEN	The new Discrimination Act (Swedish Code of Statutes 2008:567) 1 January 2009	Establishes new non-discrimination legislation and a new agency, the Equality Ombudsman.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
SWEDEN	Government Bill (2008/09:153) 1 July 2009	Establishes that every individual who is deaf, hearing impaired or requires sign language for any other reason has to be given the opportunity to learn, develop and use sign language.	General
THAILAND*	Thai Constitution 2007	Enacts anti-discrimination provisions and guarantees accessibility to social welfare and services for persons with disabilities.	Accessibility (Art. 9), Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
THAILAND*	The Persons with Disabilities Quality of Life Promotion Act B.E. 2550 2007	The Amendment to the Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities Act B.E 2543(2000) is a comprehensive law for persons with disabilities and provides anti-discrimination measures.	Habilitation and rehabilitation (Art. 26), Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Education (Art. 24), Work and Employment (Art. 27), Accessibility (Art. 9)
THAILAND*	The Persons with Disabilities Education Act B.E. 2551 2008	Establishes access to educational services and other resources at all levels to improve the Thai education system. Promotes quality of life of persons with disabilities and independent living through empowerment.	Education (Art. 24)

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TUNISIA	Law 83 of 2005	Establishes comprehensive policies, programmes and mechanisms to benefit persons with disabilities. The law focuses on the principle of equal opportunity, health services, education and training, and employment, including by the provision of transportation, improved housing conditions and decent living environments. The law also defines the benefits and financial services of persons with disabilities and their families.	General
SIGNATORIES			
BOLIVIA*	Law N.3925 of 2008	Created the National Solidarity and Equity Fund to support persons with disabilities with funding from the General Treasury.	General
BOLIVIA*	Articles 70 to 72 of the Political Constitution of the State	The Government commits itself to adopting positive measures to promote the effective integration of persons with disabilities in all aspects of life without discrimination.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
CZECH REPUBLIC*	Act No.183/2006	Defines the general requirements for construction and includes the general technical requirements for ensuring accessibility for persons with reduced mobility or sensory impairments.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
CZECH REPUBLIC*	Act No.108/2006, 2007	Changes the existing system of social services with a view to upgrading the quality of services and to make them accessible for people with disabilities.	General
GREECE*	Circular D.S.P.P./ Acc.P.D/F.3/6/1537/20-1-2009	The Ministry of Interior ensures, at the local level, the implementation of a two year (2009-2010) accessibility programme.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
GREECE*	Circular D.S.P.P./Acc.P.D/F.3/6/7986/13-4-2006	Circular on "Providing information for the formulation of policy of the Ministry of the Interior, Public Administration & Decentralization, for employees with disabilities".	Work and Employment (Art. 27)
GREECE*	Circular D.S.P.P./ Acc.P.D./F.4/2/5944/6-3-2007	Department for Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities has issued a series of circulars which request public services to submit their programme to promote accessibility on an annual basis.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
GREECE*	Circular ref.nr. 14873/395/04.04.2007	Contains the technical requirements for public works, including instruction for ensuring accessibility at all stages of public contracts.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
MALAYSIA**	Persons with Disabilities Act (685), 9 January 2008	Established in 2008 with representatives from cross-disability organizations and inter-agency dialogue and coordination. Among other things, Malaysian Sign Language is designated as the official language for the Deaf in Malaysia.	Accessibility (Art. 9) Freedom of expression and opinion, and access to information (Art. 21) Participation in culture life, recreation, leisure and sport (Art. 30)
MONTENEGRO*	Draft Law on Spatial Planning and Construction art 165 1 April 2008	Ensures the right to information of persons with disabilities in accessible forms.	Accessibility (Art. 9)

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PORTUGAL*	Law number 46/2006 28 August 2006	Prohibits discrimination based on disability or health. This law is applicable with regards to economic, social and cultural rights and defines the concept of direct and indirect discrimination.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
PORTUGAL*	Law number 3/2008	Establishes the legal framework for special education; the Ministry of Education finances special education in the Portuguese school system at different education levels.	Education (Art. 24)
PORTUGAL*	Labour Code adopted by act number 7/2009 12 February 2009	Establishes the legal framework for parental protection (maternity and paternity), applied to workers and to public administration officials and their agents.	Work and Employment (Art. 27)
PORTUGAL*	The new law 4/ 2007 16 January 2007	Adopted a general system for social security.	Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
PORTUGAL*	The Law 7/2009 12 February 2009	Stipulates conditions for children with disabilities and workers who are mothers/fathers of disabled children or children with chronic diseases in accordance with current labour legislation.	Children with disabilities (Art. 7)
PORTUGAL*	The Decree 1/2006 25 January 2006	Guarantees equal opportunities and non-discrimination in all fields.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Women with disabilities (Art. 6)
PORTUGAL*	The Decree- Law 74/2007 27 March 2007	Guarantees the right of access of persons with disabilities accompanied by service animals.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
RUSSIAN FEDERATION*	National Commission of Persons with Disability with the President of Russia Federation Act number 1792 17 December 2008	Increases social protection of Persons with Disabilities in the Russian Federation. The Commission serves as a consultative body within the Presidency of the Russian Federation.	National Implementation and monitoring (Art. 33), Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
SWAZILAND	Constitution, Chapter III section 30, July 26, 2005	Establishes that the rights of persons with disabilities shall be respected and that the Parliament shall adopt laws to enforce the rights of the disabled.	General / Constitution
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES*	Law No.29, 2006	Contains several articles relating to the rights of persons with disabilities, including health, education, employment and recreation, provision of housing and enabling environments.	General
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	American with Disabilities Act of 1990, As amended in 2008, which became effective on January 1, 2009	Prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in employment, state and local governments, public accommodations, commercial facilities, transportation and telecommunications.	Work and Employment (Art. 27), Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act, 2008	Prohibits discrimination based on genetic information by health insurers and employers. This legislation was enacted to address concerns that the rapid scientific advances in genetics, while promising, pose the potential for differential treatment based on one's genetic characteristics.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Air Carrier Access Act of 1986, As amended in 2008, which became effective on 13 May 2009	Prohibits discrimination against individuals with physical or mental impairments in air transportation by domestic and foreign air carriers.	Accessibility (Art. 9), Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)

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REGIONAL MEASURES			
REGIONAL/EU (Source: Slovenia)	Regulation (EC) No.1107/2006	Addresses the rights of persons with disabilities and persons with reduced mobility when traveling by air.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
REGIONAL/EU (Source: Slovenia)	EU Regulation No. 1083/2006	Addresses partnerships, non-discrimination and accessibility to funds.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
LOCAL MEASURES			
City of Cordoba (SPAIN)	Certificado del acuerdo adoptado po El Ayuntamiento Pleno, 29 June 2009	The Mayor's Office confirmed that the city of Cordoba ratified the CRPD at the plenary session of the city.	General

Part II: Legislative Measures prior to 2006

This part is based only on information on legislative measures received from States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in response to the request sent to States Parties by the President of the Conference of States Parties on 18 June 2009.

STATES PARTIES			
CHINA*	Law of the People's Republic of China on the Protection of Disabled Persons, 28 December 1990	Guarantees equal rights for persons with disabilities in education and employment, including promoting full employment, and in the political, economic, social and cultural spheres.	General, Education (Art. 24), Work and Employment (Art. 27)
GERMANY*	Law on Equality for Persons with Disabilities (Behindertengleichstellungsgesetz-BGG); 1 May 2001	Establishes anti-discrimination law for persons with disabilities and removes barriers in order to provide complete and unrestricted access to social life.	Accessibility (Art. 9) Equality and Non-discrimination (Art. 5), Participation in cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport (Art. 30)
GERMANY*	German Social Code Book 9 (Sozialgesetzbuch Neuntes Buch-SGB IX) 1 July 2001	Establishes regulations for anti-discrimination measures for persons with disabilities for equal participation and integration into the labour market. The regulations are binding at the federal, state and municipal levels.	Work and Employment (Art. 27), Equality and Non-Discrimination (Art. 5)
MEXICO	General Law on Persons with Disabilities 10 June 2005	Established the National Council for Persons with Disabilities (CONADIS) as the permanent body for inter-sectoral and inter-institutional coordination for policies on disability, as well as to promote, support, monitor and evaluate actions, strategies and programmes that emanate from this law.	General
NEW ZEALAND	Public Health and Disability Act 2000	Requires the Government to develop a strategy to guide government policies and services impacting on people with disabilities for their equal participation in society; also requires the Minister for Disability Issues to report to the Parliament annually on progress in the implementation of the strategy.	Living independently and being included in the community (Art. 19)
NEW ZEALAND	The Disability Bill amendment to the Human Rights Act 1993	Establishes the obligations of private parties to provide reasonable accommodation to people with disabilities.	Equality and non - discrimination (Art. 5)

Country	Title and date	Background	Main focus (corresponding articles of CRPD)
NEW ZEALAND	The Employment Relations Act 2000	Prohibits employers from discriminating on the basis of disability where an employee requires special services or facilities to satisfactorily perform their job and it is reasonable to expect the employer to provide those services or facilities.	Work and employment (Art. 27)
NEW ZEALAND	The Building Act 2004	Integrates a disability perspective into all levels of the building codes, operational policy development and implementation, and decision-making by regulators.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
NEW ZEALAND	The Education Act 1989	Ensures people with special educational needs (whether because of disability or otherwise) have equal rights to enroll and receive education at state schools; provides for additional educational supports and funding for children with disabilities.	Education (Art. 24)
NEW ZEALAND	The Social Security Act 1964	Provides financial benefits and support to enable people to participate in their communities and the labour market.	Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
NEW ZEALAND	The Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2001	Provides for a no fault compensation and lifelong support system to all New Zealanders who are incapacitated or disabled as a result of accidents. The scheme covers health, rehabilitation, financial, physical and other services.	Habilitation and rehabilitation (Art. 26), Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
NICARAGUA	Compulsory Technical Norms for Accessibility No. 12006-04, Act No. 321, 19 May 2004	Establishes technical norms and standards on accessibility.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
PHILIPPINES*	Accessibility Law (BP344), 7 December 1982	Improves the mobility of persons with disabilities by requiring buildings, institutions, establishments and public utilities to install accessible facilities and other devices.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
PHILIPPINES*	Executive Order 437, 21 June 2005	Encourages the implementation of community-based rehabilitation (CBR) for persons with disabilities in the Philippines.	Habilitation and Rehabilitation (Art. 26)
PHILIPPINES*	Joint Circular No. 2003-01, 28 April 2003	Adopted implementing guidelines for section 29 of the General Appropriation Act(GAA)/ National Budget 2003 Entitled "Setting Aside At Least One Percent of Government Agency Budget for Programs/Projects Related to Senior Citizens and Persons with disabilities.	National implementation and monitoring (Art. 33)
PHILIPPINES	Proclamation No. 240, 21 August 2002	Declared the Period 2003 to 2012 as the Philippine Decade of Persons with Disabilities.	Awareness-raising (Art. 8)
SLOVENIA*	Equal Treatment Act, 2004	Guarantees equal treatment of persons with disabilities in the field of employment, labour relations and education.	Work and Employment (Art. 27), Education (Art. 24)
SLOVENIA*	Employment Relationship Act, 2003	Prohibits discrimination on the grounds of disability with respect to recruitment, employment and working conditions in both the public and private sectors.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Work and employment (Art. 27)

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SLOVENIA*	Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment of Disabled persons Act, 25 June 2004	Guarantees the rights of persons with disabilities to vocational rehabilitation, measures for their employment and financing sources. Aims at increasing employment of persons with disabilities and promoting non-discrimination in the labour market.	Work and Employment (Art. 27), Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Habilitation and rehabilitation (Art. 26)
SLOVENIA*	Slovenia Sign Language Act, 2002	Stipulates the right of the Deaf to use the Slovenian Sign language and a sign language interpreter.	Freedom of expression and opinion, and access to information (Art. 21)
SLOVENIA*	Parental Protection and Family Benefit Act, 1 January 2002	Provides partial compensation for lost income for parents of children with severe mental or physical impediments up to age 18.	Children with disabilities (Art. 7) Respect for home and the family (Art. 23)
SLOVENIA*	Disabled Persons Organizations Act, 2002	Stipulates the status, financing and ownership of organizations of persons with disabilities.	National implementation and monitoring (Art. 33)
SIGNATORIES			
CAMBODIA**	Legislation on the Protection and Promotion on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, 16 June 2009	Ensures the rights of persons with disabilities to have equal access to opportunities for employment, healthcare and education and thus to a fully inclusive position in society.	General Work and Employment (Art. 27), Education (Art. 24)
CANADA*	Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, 1982	Section 15(1) of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms guarantees the right of individuals to equality before and under the law and to equal protection and equal benefit of the law without discrimination on a non-exhaustive list of prohibited grounds, which includes physical or mental disabilities.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Equal recognition before the law (Art. 12)

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Fair Housing Act, 1968	As amended in 1988, prohibits housing discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status and national origin. It requires owners of housing facilities to make reasonable accommodations in their policies and operations to afford persons with disabilities equal housing opportunities.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), Adequate standard of living and social protection (Art. 28)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part , 1990	Requires public school systems to develop appropriate Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) for each child with a disability who requires special education and related services.	Education (Art. 24), Children with disabilities (Art. 7)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	National Voter Registration Act, 1993	One of the basic purposes is to increase the historically low voter registration rates of minorities and persons with disabilities. It requires all offices of state-funded programs that are primarily engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities to provide all programme applicants with voter registration forms and assistance in completing the forms.	Participation in political and public life (Art. 29)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Rehabilitation Act of 1973	Prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in programmes conducted by Federal agencies, in programmes receiving Federal financial assistance, in Federal employment and in the employment practices of Federal contractors.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5) Work and employment (Art. 27)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Telecommunication Act of 1996	Amends Section 225 and Section 251(a)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934 to require manufactures of telecommunications equipment and providers of telecommunications services to ensure that such equipment and services are accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act of 1984	Generally requires polling places across the United States to be physically accessible to people with disabilities for federal elections.	Accessibility (Art. 9), Participation in political and public life (Art. 29)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	Copy Right Act, 1976	Section 121 includes a narrow exception for the reproduction of copyrighted materials for use by persons who are blind or have other disabilities.	Participation in culture life, recreation, leisure and sport (Art. 30)

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Part III: Other relevant information (2006 and onwards)

Other information regarding relevant legislature measures

STATES PARTIES

AUSTRALIA*	Disability Discrimination and Other Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2008 Introduced December 2008	Provides for the consistent and coherent application of definitions, obligations and powers in the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5)
CHILE	Law No. 19.284 -- Social Integration of Persons with Disabilities	Establishes new definitions of disability; modifies the concept of prevention, rehabilitation and technical assistance; emphasizes independent living; adds modifications to mainstream disability in policies; reinforces the principle of non-discrimination; and the Government guarantees the right to equality and equalization of opportunities as well as prevention and rehabilitation.	General
HUNGARY*	The Act on service animals(dogs) for persons with disabilities; The Act on national implementation and monitoring mechanisms; The Act on the recognition of the Hungarian sign Language	These Acts to harmonize legislative and other measures are under review.	General
JAMAICA*	National Disabilities Rights Bill	The National Disabilities Rights Bill, under review, seeks to enact legislation to protect the rights and fundamental freedoms of persons with disabilities.	General
JAMAICA*	Legislation concerning the Deaf and drivers' licenses	Recent legislative changes have now made it possible for the Deaf to apply for drivers' licenses.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
MEXICO	Official Regulations	Eight new regulations include aspects related to disability, health, social assistance, and security and hygiene at work.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
MEXICO	Standards for Interpretation Services 2009	Standards for Sign Language for training programmes to evaluate and certify Mexican Sign Language interpreters.	Freedom of expression and opinion, and access to information (Art. 21)
MEXICO	General Law for Persons with Disabilities 2007	A consultation process was initiated to modify the General Law.	General
MEXICO	Regulation NOM-173-SSA1-1998 on disability	Under review; comprehensive law for the implementation of the rights of persons with disabilities.	General
MEXICO	Regulation NOM-233-SSA1-2003	Under review; Establishes architectural requirements for access for persons with disabilities to medical facilities as well as to the national health system.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
MEXICO	Federal Labour Law	Under review for modification.	Work and employment (Art. 27)
REPUBLIC OF KOREA*	The Revised bill of the Commercial Act	Under review.	General

Country	Title and date	Background	Main focus (corresponding articles of CRPD)
THAILAND**	The National Plan for Persons' with Disabilities Quality of Life Development Plan (Volum III) B. E. 2550-2554(2007-2011), 2007	Takes an integrated approach and provides guidelines for disability and development practice for all authorities concerned.	General
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ESTONIA*	Review of national legislation	Completed a national consultation and comprehensive analysis of national legislation to be brought in line with the principles of the Convention and the Optional Protocol.	General
FINLAND*	Bill on the amendment of the Basic Education Act and Act on Financing of Education and Cultural Activities	The Convention, among other international instruments, has been taken into account in the preparation of a Government Bill on the amendment of the Basic Education Act and the Act on Financing of Education and Cultural Activities concerning, <i>inter alia</i> , special support to students.	Education (Art. 24)
GREECE*	"Information regarding the number of Persons with Disabilities serving in public services, Local Government Organizations of all degrees and Legal Entities of Public Law -- Problems in the execution of their duties -- Guidelines for dealing with these problems"; ref.nr. D.S.P.P./Acc.P.D/f.3/7/19534/5-9-2006	Includes the number of Persons with Disabilities and types of their disabilities serving in public services, "Local Government Organizations" and "Legal Entities Guidelines."	General
GREECE*	D.S.P.P./Acc.P.D/f.3/7/19534/5-9-2006	Changes were made to existing laws allowing for working hours to be reduced by one hour per day for employees with disabilities in the public sector or with public sector contracts.	Work and Employment (Art. 27)
GREECE*	Presidential Decree 60	Provides technical requirements concerning, <i>inter alia</i> , public works and Persons with Disabilities.	Accessibility (Art. 9)
JAPAN**	Draft Anti-Discrimination Law to protect Persons with Disabilities	Seeks to promote reasonable accommodation in the context of labour and employment.	Equality and non-discrimination (Art. 5), General Work and
LATVIA*	Draft Law on Disability	New legislation to support the implementation of the CRPD.	General
SRI LANKA**	Disability Rights Bill	Draft bill to effect the rights of persons with disabilities contained in the Convention, including education and information and communications.	General
VIET NAM**	Draft Disability Law	Draft law in line with the Convention.	General