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Please - get out of our way and let us do our work!

Charities across Australia are frustrated with governments not acting to remove red tape and duplication that is costing hundreds of millions of dollars a year in lost productivity.

According to David Crosbie, CEO of the CCA, ***“Charities have had enough. Governments talk about cutting red tape, but when it comes to freeing up charities to do their work, responsible Ministers fall into the arms of ill-informed bureaucratic advisers and wave more forms in our faces.*”**

Fundraising regulations are a classic example of feral bureaucracy. There is no point to the current dog’s breakfast of regulations. They cost thousands of hours of staff time in wasted compliance activity. There is an easy fix if all governments agreed to work with the information already collected by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission rather than duplicating and collecting their own. For more than a decade governments have been saying they will fix it. Time is up.”

Mr Crosbie indicated that CCA would be mounting a campaign to name and shame any Minister and senior bureaucrat that blocked the harmonization of fundraising regulations in Australia.

NB. CCA is a signatory to the #fixfundraising campaign along with over 150 of Australia’s leading charities and professional bodies – see: <http://www.justiceconnect.org.au/our-programs/not-for-profit-law/law-and-policy-reform/fundraising-reform/supporters-stories>

This is a real case example of what a charity needs to do to become fundraising compliant:

	ACT	NSW	SA	TAS	VIC	QLD	WA
Advertising requirements for a public notice						X	
Amount intended to raise in jurisdiction	X						X
Appeal manager details					X		
Auditors details	X	X	X			X	X
Bank account details		X			X	X	X
All Directors details (name, position and address)			X		X	X	
All Directors signatures					X		
Certified copies of supporting documents						X	X
Copies of supporting documents (not certified)	X	X			X		
Covering letter							X
Dates required for the licence				X			
Fundraising activities to be undertaken	X		X				X
Third party fundraising provider details			X		X		
Police check					X		X
State address if fundraising in that state		X			X		
Statement of purpose			X	X	X	X	X

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