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Ms Isobel Redmond MLC
Shadow Attorney-General
Parliament House
North Terrace
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Dear Isobel

Referral of powers to Commonwealth for de facto relationship matters

The Society was pleased to learn that you have introduced a Private Members' Bill designed to effect the referral of de facto powers to the Commonwealth. As you are aware there are significant reasons why South Australia should refer its powers in this regard in order that South Australians are not disadvantaged in comparison to those in other jurisdictions.

The Society supports the Bill as drafted and has advised its Members via its weekly e-newsletter, InBrief, of the importance of the Bill, urging them to lobby their local parliamentarians in relation to it. We will also include a notice in the Society's Journal, the Bulletin.

Yours sincerely

John Goldberg
PRESIDENT