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National Assembly

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1. Introduction of Bills

(1) The Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture

- (a) **South African Institute for Drug-Free Sport Amendment Bill** [B41–2023] (National Assembly – proposed sec 75) [Explanatory summary of Bill and prior notice of its introduction published in *Government Gazette* No 49763 of 23 November 2023.]

Introduction and referral to the **Portfolio Committee on Sport, Arts and Culture** of the National Assembly, as well as referral to the Joint Tagging Mechanism (JTM) for classification in terms of Joint Rule 160.

In terms of Joint Rule 154 written views on the classification of the Bill may be submitted to the JTM. The Bill may only be classified after the expiry of at least three parliamentary working days since introduction.

TABLINGS

National Council of Provinces

1. The Chairperson

- (a) Statements of investigations in terms of section 106(1)(a) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, 2000 (Act No. 32 of 2000) on allegations of maladministration, fraud, corruption, or any other serious malpractices within eMadlangeni and uMngeni Local Municipalities, KwaZulu-Natal.

Referred to the **Select Committee on Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Water, Sanitation and Human Settlements** for consideration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

National Assembly

1. Interim report of the Portfolio Committee on Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities on the National Youth Development Agency Amendment Bill [B13 – 2022] (National Assembly– sec 75), 23 November 2023

The Portfolio Committee on Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities (the Portfolio Committee) having considered the *National Youth Development Agency Amendment Bill [B13 – 2022]* (National Assembly – section 75), classified by the Joint Tagging Mechanism (JTM) as a section 75 Bill, reports as follows:

The National Youth Development Agency Amendment Bill [B13 – 2022] (the Bill) was tabled in Parliament and referred to the Committee on 09 June 2022 and to the JTM in terms of Joint Rule 159 for tagging. The Bill was subsequently tagged as S75 by the Joint Tagging Mechanism. The Bill seeks to amend certain provisions of the National Youth Development Agency Act, 2008 (Act No. 54 of 2008) (the Principal Act).

Given the inputs from members of the public, insights from further deliberations and from the Parliamentary Law Adviser, the Committee realised that it is necessary to amend a provision of the Principal Act which was not included in the Bill as introduced. The proposed amendment seeks to align the National Youth Development Agency Act, 2008 [Act No. 54 of 2008] (“NYDA Act”) to the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 [Act No. 1 of 1999] to reflect that the National Youth Development Agency is listed in Part A of Schedule 3 of the latter Act.

The National Assembly Rule 286(4)(c) provides as follows:

“The committee, if the Bill amends provision of legislation, must, if it intends to propose amendments to other provisions of that legislation, seek the permission of the Assembly to do so”.

In light of the above, the Committee hereby requests permission from the Assembly to amend Section 2 of the NYDA Act by insertion of a new clause in the Bill which will read as follows:

“Section 2 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for subsection (2) of the following subsection:

“(2) The Agency is a national public entity as **[defined in section 1]** listed in Part A of Schedule 3 of the Public Finance Management Act.”.

The committee intends to adopt the A-list and B-Bill upon the approval of this request.

Recommendation

The Committee request permission from the National Assembly to amend provisions of the Principal Act which were not included in the Bill as introduced.

Report to be considered.

2. Report of the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Correctional Services on the Prevention and Combating of Hate Crimes and Hate Speech Bill [B9B- 2018] (National Assembly – section 75), 24 November 2023

The Portfolio Committee on Justice and Correctional Services, having considered the Prevention and Combating of Hate Crimes and Hate Speech Bill [B9B- 2018] (National Assembly - section 75 Bill), and the proposed amendments of the National Council of Provinces, reports that it agrees with the proposed amendments [B9C – 2018].

Report to be considered.

3. Report of the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Correctional Services on the State Liability Amendment Bill [B16 – 2018], dated 24 November 2023

The Portfolio Committee on Justice and Correctional Services, having considered the State Liability Amendment Bill [B16 – 2018], is of the opinion that, at this stage, legislation to amend the State Liability Act, 1957 (Act No. 20 of 1957) is not desirable.

The Bill aims to amend the State Liability Act, 1957, to provide for structured settlements for the satisfaction of claims against the State in cases of medical negligence. The Bill is intended as an interim measure to address rising medico-legal claims against the State, pending the outcome of a larger investigation into medico-legal claims by the South African Law Reform Commission (SALRC).

The Committee notes that the SALRC finalized a Discussion Paper on Project 141: Medico-legal Claims for publication for general information and public comment during the first half of 2021. The Discussion Paper 154, Project 141 Medico-Legal Claims was then published for comment on 11 November 2021 with a closing date of 28 February 2022. The Committee is informed that the report is very close to being finalised.

The Committee is not in favour of piecemeal amendments to legislation and, therefore, recommends that legislation to amend the State Liability Act be tabled once the SALRC has concluded its investigations and after meaningful consultation with stakeholders, including the National Treasury and the Department of Health.

Report to be considered