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NEGOTIATING MANDATE

Name of the Bill: **National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Amendment Bill**

Number of the Bill: **B8B – 2013**

Date of deliberation: **Thursday, 13 February 2014**

Vote of the Legislature: **The legislature votes in favour of the Bill**


Signature:
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Negotiating Mandate



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NEGOTIATING MANDATE FOR NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: AIR QUALITY AMENDMENT BILL [B27B-2013]

(Section 76 Bill)

1. INTRODUCTION

The Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Land Reform, Rural Development, Environment & Nature Conservations, Hon NJ Galela, tables the Committee's negotiating mandate on the *National Environmental Management: Air Quality Amendment Bill* [B27B-2013] as adopted by the Portfolio Committee on 13 February 2014.

2. PROCESS FOLLOWED

- 2.1 The Speaker of the Northern Cape Provincial Legislature, on receipt, referred the *National Environmental Management: Air Quality Amendment Bill* [B27B-2013] to the Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Land Reform, Rural Development, Environment & Nature Conservations on 08 November 2013.
- 2.2 On 31 January 2014, the Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Land Reform, Rural Development, Environment & Nature Conservations received a briefing on the Bill from the National Department of Environmental Affairs.
- 2.3 The Portfolio Committee resolved at the meeting of 31 January 2014 to hold public hearing on the referred Bill in John Taolo Gaetsewe regions (Hotazel), to solicit the views of communities and stakeholders with regard to the *National Environmental Management: Air Quality Amendment Bill* [B27B-2013]
- 2.4 The public hearing was held on 11 February 2014, as per Committee resolution and both written and oral submissions were called for. The stakeholders engaged with the Members of the Provincial Legislature in respect of the Bill.

On 13 February 2014, the Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Land Reform, Rural Development, Environment & Nature Conservations deliberated and considered the *National Environmental Management: Air Quality Amendment Bill* [B27B-2013]

3. STAKEHOLDERS' INPUTS ON THE BILL

- 3.1 The insertion or addition of sub-section (5) under section 36 of the AQA 39 of 2004, where the bill makes provision for applicants to apply to the Minister or MEC to make a decision when a licensing authority has failed to do so.

3.2. The number of Compliance Officers must be increase in order to deal with people who are not complying.

4. **STAKEHOLDERS' POSITION ON THE BILL**

The stakeholders voted in favour of the bill.

5. **COMMITTEE INPUTS ON THE BILL**

5.1. The Local municipalities must be empowered in order to realise the effective implementation of this legislation.

6. **PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE POSITION ON THE BILL**

After due deliberation, the Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Land Reform, Rural Development, Environment & Nature Conservations **supports** the Bill.

7. **COMMITTEE ADOPTION OF THE BILL**

The Committee adopted this negotiating mandate duly signed by the Chairperson of the Committee.

The Committee recommends to the House to mandate the Permanent Delegates to participate in deliberations at the negotiating stage and to supports the Bill taking note of the comments and recommendations raised by the Committee.


HON. N.J. GALELA
Chairperson

Date: 12 FEB 2014