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NEGOTIATING MANDATE

TO: HON. J MOHAPI
CHAIRPERSON: SELECT COMMITTEE ON CO-OPERATIVE
GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS

NAME OF BILL: DISASTER MANAGEMENT AMENDMENT BILL

NUMBER OF BILL: B10B-2015

DATE OF DELIBERATION: THURSDAY, 27 AUGUST 2015

VOTE OF THE LEGISLATURE:


The Portfolio Committee on Co-Operative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) met today, Thursday, the 27th of August 2015 to consider the Disaster Management Amendment Bill [B10B-2015],

The following concerns were noted on the Bill:

1. The Bill is clear in terms of the location of the **National Disaster Management unit** and reporting line but it does not give a direction in terms of the location of the unit in **Municipalities** hence in some Municipalities the function is under Corporate Service, Technical Services, Community Services, Planning department and the Office of the Municipal Manager.

2. The Bill is also not clear in terms of funding mechanisms to assist Municipalities on rendering the function hence other municipalities are referring to it as an unfunded function.
3. The Bill refers to the involvement of Traditional Leaders yet it is silent on their role and functions/responsibilities.
4. The Bill does not speak to the capacity of the current Disaster Management Practitioners on understanding the impact of the climate change.

The Committee agreed to mandate the KwaZulu-Natal delegation to the National Council of Provinces to support the Bill provided that the above concerns are considered and consolidated in the Bill.


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HON GN SWARTBOOI
CHAIRPERSON OF COGTA
PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE

31-08-2015
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