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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

**TO**

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL**

**[B21 -2015]**

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*(Portfolio Committee on Public Service and Administration)*

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**CLAUSE 2**

1. On page 3, from line 19, to substitute for subsection (3) the following:

"(3) If both the chairperson and the deputy chairperson are absent, or for any reason unable to act as chairperson, the President may designate one commissioner to act as the chairperson of the Commission.".

**MEMORANDUM ON THE OBJECTS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL**

1. On page 3, to substitute for paragraph 1.6, the following:

"1.6 The Public Service Commission Act, 1997 (Act No. 46 of 1997) (‘‘the Act’’), regulates the PSC and the procedure for the appointment of its commissioners. However, it has become necessary to address a deficiency identified in the Act relating to lack of clarity with regard to the procedure for the renewal of term of office of commissioners of the PSC.".

2. On page 3, to substitute for paragraph 3.2, the following:

"Clause 2 of the Bill seeks to amend section 5 of the Act by empowering the

President to designate an acting chairperson whenever both the chairperson and the deputy chairperson are absent or for any reason unable to act as chairperson.".