

FINAL MANDATE FOR THE MARINE POLLUTION (PREVENTION of POLLUTION FROM SHIPS) AMENDMENT BILL [B5-2022]

1. INTRODUCTION

The Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Transport, Safety & Liaison and Roads & Public Works, Hon L Senye, tables the Committee's Negotiating mandate on the Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill, [B5-2022] as adopted by the Portfolio Committee on 07 March 2024, and subsequently adopted as Final Mandate on 09 May 2024.

2. PROCESS FOLLOWED

- 2.1 The Speaker of the Northern Cape Provincial Legislature, referred the Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill, [B5-2022] Portfolio Committee on Transport, Safety & Liaison and Roads & Public Works.
- 2.2 The Portfolio Committee received a briefing on the Bill on 10 November 2023.

The Northern Cape's Permanent Delegate to the NCOP, Hon K Mmoiemang gave a brief background of the bill, and an official, Mr. Dumisani Ntuli from the National Department of Transport presented the Marine Pollution Prevention Bill.

2.3 The Portfolio Committee resolved at the meeting of 10 November 23 to conduct public participation sessions, to get inputs from the members of the public.

The date of **15 February 2024** was later decided upon. A hybrid public hearing was held and the main hearing was held at the Legislature seat in Kimberley. The other four regions of the province were connected simultaneously.

An advert was developed for placement on the institution's social media platforms as well as live reads, to solicit views of communities and stakeholders regarding the Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill, [B5-2022]

Furthermore, radio adverts and jingles on radio stations were aired. Both written and oral submissions were also called for.

Members of the public from the different regions were transported to the different venues for the hybrid session.

The public engaged with the Members of the Provincial Legislature and the official from the National Department of Transport.

On **07 March 2024** the Portfolio Committee on the Portfolio Committee on Transport, Safety & Liaison and Roads & Public Works deliberated on the Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill, [B5-2022].

3. PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE POSITION AT THE NEGOTIATING MANDATE STAGE

The Portfolio Committee on Transport Safety & Liaison and Roads & Public Works supports the bill. The House confers on the Permanent Delegate the authority to participate in the negotiations and highlighted the concerns that were raised.

4. COMMITTEE POSITION AT THE NEGOTIATING MANDATE STAGE

The Portfolio Committee's Negotiating Mandate indicated that the Northern Cape supports the Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill, [B5-2022].

5. FINAL VOTING MANDATE

In terms of Sect 65 of the Constitution, the Portfolio Committee of Transport Safety & Liaison and Roads & Public Works recommends that the House confers authority on the Head of its delegation to the NCOP to vote in support of the Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill, [B5-2022].

Electronically signed.	
Hon L Senye	
PC Chairperson: on Trans	port, Safety & Liaison and Roads & Public Works

09 May 2024