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Western Cape Provincial Parliament  
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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND  
DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

*Wednesday 20 March 2024 (at 08:00), Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams*

**PRESENT**

**Members**

**Democratic Alliance**

America, D  
Murray, CA  
Van der Westhuizen, AP (Chairperson)

**African National Congress**

Marran, P

**GOOD**

De Villiers, PT

**The following persons were in attendance:**

**Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning**

Ms K Shippey, Chief Director – Climate Change  
Mr G Isaacs, Director - Climate Change

**Department of the Premier**

Mr N Dias, State Law Adviser

**Western Cape Provincial Parliament**

Ms S Niekerk, Procedural Officer  
Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant  
Adv R Maasdorp, Legal Adviser  
Ms N Visser, Researcher  
Ms C Morris, Information Technology Assistant  
Mr S Hassan, Information Technology Assistant

## **1. Opening and welcome**

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the members of the Committee and the officials from the Western Cape Provincial Parliament.

The Chairperson reminded the Committee that at a committee meeting on Wednesday 28 February 2024, it considered and agreed to include specific matters for consideration in its Negotiating Mandate Report in respect of the Climate Change Bill [B 9B—2022] (NCOP), a draft of which was circulated to the Committee by the Procedural Officer ahead of the meeting.

## **2. Deliberation on the negotiating mandate on the Climate Change Bill [B 9B—2022] (NCOP)**

The Committee proceeded to consider the draft amendments and comments for inclusion in the Negotiating Mandate Report with an amendment to the heading of point number four to bring it in line in order to reflect the sub-clauses that followed. Agreed to.

## **3. Consideration and adoption of Draft Negotiating Mandate Report on the Climate Change Bill [B 9B—2022] (NCOP)**

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Negotiating Mandate Report which was considered and adopted.

## **4. Consideration and adoption of Draft Committee Minutes**

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Minutes of 27 and 28 February 2024, 12 March 2024 at 09:00 and 12 March 2024 at 14:00, which were considered and adopted.

## **5. Consideration and adoption of Draft Committee Report**

The Chairperson submitted the Draft Committee Report on its oversight visit to the Beaufort West area from 5 and 7 February 2024, which was considered and adopted.

## **6. General**

6.1 The Procedural Officer, at the request from the Chairperson, explained why the deliberation and consideration of the Final Mandate Report in respect of the Marine Pollution (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment Bill [B 5—2022] (NCOP) had to be removed from the agenda of the meeting. The NCOP Select Committee had revised its Programme and did not meet on 13 March 2024 as planned to consider provinces negotiating mandates. This meeting may take place after 12 April 2024.

6.2 The Chairperson informed the Committee that a letter was received from the Select Committee on Transport, Public Service and Administration, Public Works indicating which bills will not be processed during this term.

6.3 The Chairperson drew the Committee's attention to two additional pieces of legislation, referred to the Committee, for which specified dates from the NCOP Select Committee on Land Reform, Environment, and Mineral Resources & Energy was lacking, i.e. the Plant Health (Phytosanitary) Bill, and the Preservation and Development of Agricultural Land Bill.

The Chairperson informed the Committee that correspondence had been initiated with the Western Cape Permanent Delegate in the NCOP, Ms Cathy Labuschagne, seeking clarification on whether the NCOP intends to proceed with the bills, given their significant fiscal and scheduling implications. Regrettably, attempts to elicit a response from the Chairperson of the Select Committee, Ms Modise, had thus far proven unsuccessful. The Chairperson further indicated that while a Draft Programme in respect of the Preservation and Development of Agricultural Land Bill was prepared by the NCOP officials, it had not received official endorsement from NCOP leadership.

## **7. Closing**

The Chairperson expressed his appreciation to the members and officials for their attendance and assistance.

The meeting adjourned at 08:40.



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**MR AP VAN DER WESTHUIZEN, MPP**  
**CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

**Date: 19 April 2024**