

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY 2025

COMMITTEE REPORT

Report of the Standing Committee on Finance (the Committee) on the recommendations for the appointment of candidates to the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board, dated 13 May 2025, as follows:

1. The matter of vacancies on the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board (the Board) was referred to the Committee on 28 March 2025 by the Office of the Speaker.
2. Section 3(1) of the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Act, 1996 (Act 4 of 1996, as amended) (the Act), stipulates: “The Board shall consist of seven members, appointed on a part-time basis, by the Executive Council in accordance with the prescribed procedure, which shall provide for public participation in the nomination of candidates for appointment; provided that the standing committee of the Provincial Legislature responsible for this Act shall evaluate all candidates as to their suitability for appointment.”
3. On 29 April 2025, the Provincial Treasury briefed the Committee on the process leading to the shortlisting of candidates. The Provincial Treasury informed the Committee that there was one vacancy that needed to be filled. The Committee was provided with a list of seven candidates to evaluate.
4. Following the briefings by the Provincial Treasury and Mazars Forensic Services, the service provider that conducted the probity assessments, the Committee resolved to evaluate six of the seven candidates. The Committee also resolved to evaluate the candidates through an interview process.
5. In accordance with regulation 4(3) of the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Regulations, 1996 (PN 239 of 1996), the Committee “... shall, within seven days from receiving the documentation ... submit a final short list of not less than fifteen names or,

in respect of any vacancy occurring on the Board, of not less than three names, together with the comprehensive list of all applicants to the responsible Member for submission for consideration to the Executive Council”.

6. The Committee, having interviewed the six candidates on 13 May 2025, recommends that four of the candidates were found to be suitable to serve on the Board. The four candidates, ranked in order of preference, are as follows:
 - (1) Ms C Fani
 - (2) Mr T Arendse
 - (3) Mr A du Plessis
 - (4) Dr M le Roux
7. The Committee also submits the Members’ scoresheets along with this report. The scoresheets have been attached as an annexure.