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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM

Friday, 22 November 2019 (08h30)
Committee Room 2, 4th floor, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Baartman, D (Chairperson) Mitchell, D Maseko, M (Alternate)

African National Congress

Nkondlo, N

Economic Freedom Fighters

Makamba-Botya, N

Apology

Van der Westhuizen, A

The following persons were in attendance:

National Council of Provinces

Mr J Londt, Permanent Delegate

National Department of Trade and Industry

Mr K Mokaba, Director

National Gambling Board

Mr S Pagiwa, Senior Manager: Gaming Technology Ms P Kweyama – Chief Operations Officer Ms C Kongwa – Administrator

Department of the Premier

Ms A Muller, State Law Adviser

Provincial Treasury

Ms R Slinger, Acting Chief Director: Public Policy Services

Dr N Nleya, Director: Fiscal Policy

Ms C Horton, Revenue Analysis Research and Modelling

Department of Economic Development and Tourism

Ms O Dyers, Assistant Director

Western Cape Provincial Parliament:

Ms Z Adams, Procedural Officer Adv A Le Roux, Senior Legal Adviser

Member of the Public

Ms T Mparutsa, Monitor: Parliamentary Monitoring Group

1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson welcomed the Members that were present, as well as the National Department of Trade and Industry, Provincial Departments and members of the public.

2. Briefing on the National Gambling Amendment Bill [B 27B - 2018](\$76)

Mr Londt introduced the National Gambling Amendment Bill (the Bill) [B 27B-2018](S76)(NCOP), informing Members that the Bill had been introduced during the Fifth Parliament and that the previous Standing Committee on Finance had processed the Bill and even submitted a final mandate to the National Council of Provinces (NCOP) in March 2019. At that time, three provinces supported the Bill, three provinces voted against the Bill, one province abstained and two provinces did not submit mandates. The Bill was referred back to the Select Committee at the end of the Fifth Parliament, and was revived in the Sixth Parliament. However, there has been a request for a legal opinion on whether the Bill could be revived according to the Rules of the NCOP.

Mr Mokaba briefed the Committee on the Bill.

The Committee deliberated on the briefing and confirmed with the National Department that the Bill had not been amended since its introduction in the Fifth Parliament.

The Committee RESOLVED that since the Bill had not changed, the Committee would adopt the Final Mandate on the Bill, as was adopted by the Standing Committee on Finance in the Fifth Parliament on 19 March 2019. As with the previous Final Mandate, the Committee

recommended that the House confer on the Western Cape's delegation in the NCOP the authority to not support the Bill.

3. Resolutions/Actions

- 3.1 The Committee REQUESTED that the National Department of Trade and Industry provide the Committee with the report/study on the Agency Rationalisation Project.
- 3.2 The Committee RESOLVED to write a letter to the NCOP requesting a copy of the legal opinion on whether the Bill may be revived according to the Rules of the NCOP. Once obtained from the NCOP, the legal opinion will be forwarded to the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's legal adviser, Advocate Le Roux, for further consideration.

The meeting adjourned at 09h55.

ADV D BAARTMAN, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

AND TOURISM

DATE: 27 November 2019

