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Report of the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Opportunities and Tourism (the Committee) on the recommendations for the appointment of candidates to the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board, dated 21 August 2020, as follows:

- 1. The matter of vacancies on the Western Cape Gambling and Racing Board (the Board) was referred to the Committee on 30 June 2020, by the Office of the Speaker, via ATC. The Provincial Treasury informed the Committee that there were three vacancies that needed to be filled. One position has been vacant since 11 June 2020, while the other two positions will become vacant in December 2020 and May 2021, respectively.
- 2. The Provincial Treasury advertised the vacant Board member positions in the Provincial Gazette, Vukani, the Mail and Guardian, Die Burger and the Weekend Argus on 14, 15 and 16 November 2019.
- 3. 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."
- 4. On 12 August 2020, the Provincial Treasury briefed the Committee on the process leading to the shortlisting of candidates. The Committee was provided with a list of nine candidates to evaluate. The Committee then resolved to evaluate the candidates through an interview process.
- 5. Three candidates were eliminated during the discussion on the Probity Report outcomes as the Committee found that they did not fit the criteria to be shortlisted in accordance with prescripts of the Act. This matter was communicated to the Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities in a letter dated 19 August 2020.
- 6. The Committee, having interviewed six candidates, recommended the following candidates, in alphabetical order:

6.1 For the first immediate/current vacancy:

- Ms Chuma Fani
- Mr David Lakay
- Dr Prieur Du Plessis
- Ms Lizanne Venter
- Dr Pierre Voges

6.2 For the vacancy arising in December 2020:

- Ms Chuma Fani
- Mr David Lakay
- Dr Prieur Du Plessis
- Ms Lizanne Venter
- Dr Pierre Voges

6.3 For the first future vacancy arising in May 2021:

- Ms Chuma Fani
- Mr David Lakay
- Dr Prieur Du Plessis
- Ms Lizanne Venter
- Dr Pierre Voges

Minority View:

In terms of Standing Rule 90, the Economic Freedom Fighters expressed its minority view not to support the report.

Report to be considered.

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