

**DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM  
NOTICE 286 OF 2017**

**DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM:  
COMMUNAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATIONS AMENDMENT BILL, 2017**

The Minister for Rural Development and Land Reform intends introducing the Communal Property Associations Amendment Bill, 2017 in the National Assembly during the first quarter of 2017. The explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 276 of the Rules of the National Assembly.

The Bill provides for the establishment, functions and powers of the Office of the Registrar of Communal Property Associations. It further provides for clarity on the role of communal property associations; provides for improved protection of the rights of communities in respect of movable and immovable property administered by communal property associations; provides for improved provisions on the management of communal property associations; provides for annual reports in respect of communal property associations and also to provide for matters connected therewith.

A copy of the Bill can be found on the website of the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform ([www.ruraldevelopment.gov.za](http://www.ruraldevelopment.gov.za)), and may, after introduction, also be obtained from:

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