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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

PUBLICATION OF EXPLANATORY SUMMARIES OF CRIMINAL LAW (FORENSIC PROCEDURES) AMENDMENT BILL, 2008

The Minister for Justice and Constitutional Development intends introducing the Criminal Law (Forensic Procedures) Amendment Bill, 2008, in the National Assembly shortly. The explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 241(c) of the Rules of the National Assembly.

The Criminal Law (Forensic Procedures) Amendment Bill, 2008, aims to amend the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977, so as to further regulate powers in respect of the ascertainment of bodily features of persons; to provide for the compulsory taking of finger-prints of certain categories of persons; to provide for the taking of prints and samples for investigative purposes; to provide for the taking of specified bodily substances from certain categories of persons for the purposes of DNA analysis; to provide that prints and samples taken under the Act are retained; to further regulate proof of certain facts by affidavit or certificate; to further regulate evidence of prints or bodily features of accused; to amend the South African Police Service Act, 1995, so as to regulate the storing and use of finger-prints, palm-prints, foot-prints and photographs of certain categories of persons; and to establish and regulate the administration and maintenance of a National DNA Database of South Africa; to amend the Firearms Control Act, 2000, so as to further regulate the powers in respect of bodyprints and bodily samples; to amend the Explosives Act, 2003, so as to further regulate the powers in respect of prints and samples for investigation purposes; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

A copy of the above Bill can be found on the website of the Parliamentary Monitoring Group at <http://www.pmg.org.za>, and may, after introduction, also be obtained from:

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