# REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

# PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO

# **SOCIAL HOUSING BILL**

[B 29—2007]

(As agreed to by the Portfolio Committee on Housing (National Assembly)) (The English text is the official text of the Bill)

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#### CLAUSE 1

- 1. On page 3, in line 41, after "the", to insert "National".
- 2. On page 3, in line 42, after the second "the", to insert "National".
- 3. On page 4, in line 16, after "the", to insert "National".
- 4. On page 4 after line 16, to insert the following definition:
  - "Minmec" means a standing intergovernmental body consisting of at least the Minister and the MECs responsible for housing.
- 5. On page 4 after line 21, to insert the following definition:
  - **"NHBRC"** means the National Home Builders Registration Council, established under the Housing Consumer Protection Measures Act, 1998 (Act 95 of 1998):
- 6. On page 4, after line 24, to insert the following definition:
  - **"parliamentary committees"** means the Portfolio and Select Committees of Parliament responsible for Housing.

# **CLAUSE 2**

1. On page 5, in line 14, to omit "disabled persons, the elderly and vulnerable groups" and to substitute "persons with disabilities and the elderly".

# **CLAUSE 3**

- 1. On page 6, in line 46, after "review", to insert "annually".
- 2. On page 6, in line 54, after "Authority", to omit "and hold it accountable".

# **CLAUSE 6**

1. On page 8, from line 5, to omit subsection (3).

# CLAUSE 9

- 1. On page 8, after line 32, to omit subsection (2) and to substitute the following:
  - (2) (a) The Minister must, by notice in the *Gazette* as well as in the national news media, including at least two newspapers circulating throughout the Republic, call for the nomination of persons who comply with the criteria referred to in subsection (1).
  - (b) The Minister must establish a selection committee consisting of not more than seven members, two of whom must be the

- chairpersons of the parliamentary committees or their delegates, to advise the Minister on the appointments.
- (3) The members contemplated in subsection (1) must be appointed by the Minister and serve in a non-executive capacity.
- 2. On page 9, in line 11, to delete "50" and to substitute "50 plus 1".

# CLAUSE 11

1. On page 9, in line 51, after "social", to insert "housing".

#### CLAUSE 12

1. On page 11, in line 21, to omit "people" and to substitute "persons".

# CLAUSE 13

1. On page 12, in line 14, after "Minister" to insert ", which date may not exceed 12 months after the commencement of this Act."

#### CLAUSE 14

- 1. On page 13, in line 32, to omit "from time to time" and to substitute "on an annual basis"
- 2. On page 13, in line 34, after "agreement" to omit "is" and to substitute "and proposed changes are".
- 3. On page 13 in line 35, to omit "residents" and to substitute "all parties":

# CLAUSE 15

On page 14, after line 6, to add the following subsection:

(4) The social housing institutions must consult with the tenants and keep them informed of any rules and prescriptions regarding the management of the social housing units.

# CLAUSE 16

1. On page 14, in line 10, to omit "six" and to substitute "three".

# CLAUSE 18

- 1. On page 14, in line 33 to omit "every MEC" and to substitute "Minmec".
- 2. On page 14, in line 35, to omit "every MEC" and to substitute "Minmec".