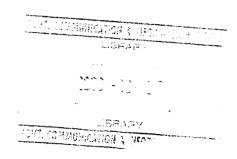
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS AND REJECTED AMENDMENT TO

NATURAL SCIENTIFIC PROFESSIONS BILL

[B 56—2002]

(As agreed to by the Portfolio Committee on Arts, Culture, Science and Technology) (National Assembly))



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AMENDMENTS AGREED TO

NATURAL SCIENTIFIC PROFESSIONS BILL [B 56—2002]

CLAUSE 1

- 1. On page 2, in line 18, to omit "a rule made by the Council" and to substitute "regulation".
- 2. On page 2, after line 27, to insert:

"regulation" means any regulation made under this Act;

- 3. On page 2, in line 28, to omit the definition of "rule".
- 4. On page 2, in line 29, to omit "notice or rule issued or" and to substitute "regulation".

CLAUSE 3

- 1. On page 3, in line 13, after "(iii)" to insert "fairly".
- 2. On page 3. after line 20, to add:
 - (2) The Council must be constituted in a manner that is broadly representative of the demographics of the country.

CLAUSE 4

- 1. On page 3, in line 23, to omit "Council" and to substitute "Minister".
- 2. On page 3, in line 23, to omit "registered persons,".
- 3. On page 3, in line 25, to omit "60" and to substitute "30".
- 4. On page 3, in line 26, to omit "Council" and to substitute "Minister".
- 5. On page 3. in line 28, to omit "60" and to substitute "30".
- 6. On page 3, from line 30, to omit subsection (3) and to substitute:
 - (3)(a) The nominations received in terms of subsections (1) and (2) must be presented to a panel appointed by the Minister in the prescribed manner.
 - (b) The panel must, within 30 days from the presentation of the nominations, make recommendations to the Minister.
- 7. On page 3, in line 32, to omit "60" and to substitute "30".
- 8. On page 3, in line 34, to omit "Council" and to substitute "Minister".
- 9. On page 3, in line 35, to omit "notice" and to substitute "invitation".
- 10. On page 3, in line 36, to omit "Council" and to substitute "panel".

CLAUSE 5

- 1. On page 3, in line 53, to omit "all the members" and to substitute "any member".
- 2. On page 3, in line 55, to omit "all the members" and to substitute "any member".

CLAUSE 6

- 1. On page 4, after line 28, to insert:
 - (3) The Council may, by notice in writing, remove a member from office if the Council has sufficient reason to believe that the person concerned is not fit and proper to hold office.

CLAUSE 8

1. On page 4, in line 52, to omit "allowances" and to substitute "a honorarium".

CLAUSE 11

On page 5, in line 27, to omit "may" and to substitute "must".

CLAUSE 12

1. On page 5, in line 37, to omit "may" and to substitute "must".

CLAUSE 13

1. On page 6, in line 20, after "(f)" to insert:

through a recognised agency having the competency to do so,

CLAUSE 15

- 1. On page 6, from line 54, to omit paragraph (b).
- 2. On page 6, in line 59, to omit "(b)" and to substitute "(a)".
- 3. On page 7, in line 1, after "officials" to insert "only".
- 4. On page 7, in line 6. after "persons" to insert:

in compliance with the national developmental imperatives

5. On page 7 in line 27, to omit "care and diligence" and to substitute "care, diligence and full transparency".

CLAUSE 16

1. On page 7, in line 31, to omit "Director-General with a" and to substitute "Minister with an annual".

2. On page 7, in line 32, after "year" to insert "for tabling in Parliament".

CLAUSE 28

1. On page 11, in line 2, to omit "with the concurrence of" and to substitute "after consultation with".

CLAUSE 35

1. On page 14, in line 2, after "associations" to insert "and registered persons".

CLAUSE 36

- 1. On page 14, in line 7, to omit "Appeal" and to substitute "Objections".
- 2. On page 14, in line 15, to omit "president of the Council against that" and to substitute "Council for a formal review of its".

CLAUSE 37

Clause rejected.

NEW CLAUSE

1. That the following be a new Clause:

Regulations and rules

- 37. (1) The Minister may, after consultation with the Council, make regulations regarding—
- (a) any matter that is required or permitted to be prescribed in terms of this Act; and
- (b) generally, any matter which it is necessary or expedient to prescribe in order to achieve the objects of this Act.
- (2) The Council may, with the concurrence of the Minister, by notice in the *Gazette* make rules regarding—
- (a) procedures at any meeting of the Council or any committee thereof;
- (b) registers to be kept by the Council;
- (c) conduct on the part of a registered person which constitutes improper conduct;
- (d) generally any matter which it is necessary or expedient to prescribe in order to perform its functions properly.

CLAUSE 40

 On page 14, in line 42, after "Council" to insert "or to make regulations or issue notices".

CLAUSE 42

1. On page 15, from line 29, to omit "South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions referred to in subsection (2)" and to substitute "Minister".

2. On page 15, in line 32, to omit "3" and to substitute "4".

CLAUSE 45

1. On page 16, in line 10, to omit "2002" and to substitute "2003".

AMENDMENT REJECTED

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CLAUSE 16

1. On page 7, in line 35, after "must" to insert:

, with due regard to the right to privacy of the registered person,