CULTURE PROMOTION AMENDMENT BILL

(As introduced in the National Assembly)

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(MINISTER OF ARTS, CULTURE, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY)

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GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:

[1	Words in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from existing enactments.
		Words underlined with a solid line indicate insertions in existing enactments.

BILL

To amend the Culture Promotion Act, 1983, so as to further regulate the powers of the Minister of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

E IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:---

Amendment of section 2 of Act 35 of 1983, as amended by Proclamation No. R. 36 of 1995

1. Section 2 of the Culture Promotion Act, 1983, is hereby amended— (a) by the substitution in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) for the words preceding subparagraph (i) of the following words:

"(a) in order to [foster] develop and promote arts and culture in the Republic—";

- (b) by the addition to paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of the following 10 subparagraphs:
 - (iii) develop pilot projects in order to further the work of the Department in promoting arts and culture throughout the country;
 - (iv) establish, launch or finance any organisation or project whose objects are likely to have an impact throughout the country; (v) confer honours and awards;
 - (vi) assist non-formal or community-based arts education projects;
 - (vii) provide such other services as are necessary or expedient, or subsidise or finance the provision of services by any person. "; and
- (c) by the substitution in paragraph (b) of section (1) for the words preceding 20 subparagraph (i) of the following words:

"(b) in order to foster [educational and] cultural relations with other countries-".

Short title

2. This Act shall be called the Culture Promotion Amendment Act, 1998.

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MEMORANDUM ON THE OBJECTS OF THE CULTURE PROMOTION AMENDMENT BILL, 1998

The Culture Promotion Act, 1983 (Act No. 35 of 1983), empowers the Minister of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology to carry out his or her duties and responsibilities in developing and promoting arts and culture nationally. In order to fulfill this mandate the Act authorises the Minister *inter alia* to acquire property and to award **bursaries** and make grants for study abroad. The Bill seeks to extend the powers of the Minister as set out in clause 1 of the Bill.

The State Law Advisers and the Department of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology are of the view that this Bill must be dealt with in accordance with the procedure established by section 76(1) or (2) of the Constitution since it falls within a functional area listed in Schedule 4 to the Constitution, to wit "Cultural Matters".