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PUBLICATION OF EXPLANATORY SUMMARY OF THE CRIMINAL MATTERS AMENDMENT BILL, 2015

The Minister of Justice and Correctional Services intends introducing the Criminal Matters Amendment Bill, 2015, in the National Assembly shortly. The explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 241(1)(c) of the Rules of the National Assembly.

The Bill seeks to amend the Criminal Procedure Act, 1977, so as to regulate bail in respect of essential infrastructure-related offences; to amend the Criminal Law Amendment Act, 1997, so as to regulate the imposition of discretionary minimum sentences for essential infrastructure-related offences; to create a new offence relating to essential infrastructure; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

A copy of the Bill can be found on the websites of the Parliamentary Monitoring Group at http://www.pmg.org.za and the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development at http://www.justice.gov.za and may, after introduction into Parliament, also be obtained from the Government Printers: Cape Town.