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PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

GENERAL NOTICE 3400 OF 2025 MR MZWANELE MANYI

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INTRODUCE A PRIVATE MEMBER'S BILL, 2025, AND INVITATION FOR COMMENT

Hon Mzwanele Manyi, MP, acting in accordance with section 73(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, intends to introduce the Constitution Twenty-Second² Amendment Bill ("the Bill"), in Parliament. An explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 295(2)(a) of the Rules of the National Assembly (9th Edition).

The Bill seeks to amend section 25 of the Constitution to address the historical injustice of land dispossession dating from 6 April 1652, and to correct the structural legacy of inequality in land ownership. The Bill proposes a transformative reconstitution of land relations by affirming the collective ownership of land and natural resources by the people of South Africa and establishing a framework of custodianship by the democratic state and traditional authorities.

The purpose is to enable expropriation of land without compensation for a public purpose or in the public interest through the enactment of a law of general application and to extend the restitution cut-off date to 6 April 1652. The Bill seeks to recognise land as a collective national heritage held in custodianship and affirm the role of traditional and Khoi-San leadership in the custodianship and administration of land. The Bill will provide for the repeal of the current section 25 upon the enactment of the enabling legislation.

Interested parties and institutions are invited to submit written representations on the proposed content of the Bill to the Speaker of the National Assembly within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Representations can be delivered to the Speaker, Africa House Building, Cape Town; mailed to the Speaker, PO Box 15, Cape Town, 8000; or emailed to speaker@parliament.gov.za and copied to Amngxitama@parliament.gov.za and mmanyi@parliament.gov.za.

Copies of the Bill may be obtained upon request from mmanyi@parliament.gov.za.

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² Number to be confirmed upon introduction.