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# **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

# STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM

Tuesday, 24 October 2023 (13h00), Chamber, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town and Virtual via MS Teams

## ATTENDANCE

## Members:

#### **Democratic Alliance**

Murray, C (Chairperson) Sileku, I Van der Westhuizen, A

#### **African National Congress**

Nkondlo, N (ANC)

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Brinkhuis, K

## The following persons were in attendance:

#### **Provincial Treasury**

Ms S Robinson, Chief Director Mr M Booysen, Director Ms N Palmer, Deputy Director

#### **Department of the Premier**

Ms A Muller, Legal Adviser

#### **Members of the Public**

Ms C Kongwa, Accounting Authority: National Gambling Board Ms S Nqwata, Legal Adviser: National Gambling Board Mr N Mashamaite, Chief Compliance Officer: National Gambling Board Ms T Shale, Deputy Director (Gambling Law and Policy): Department of Trade, Industry and Competition

## Western Cape Provincial Parliament

Ms Z Adams, Procedural Officer Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer

## 1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson opened the public hearing on the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Act Repeal Bill [B 3 - 2023] (the Bill) and welcomed the Committee Members, official from the Provincial Treasury and the members of the public.

The Chairperson explained the rules of engagement for public hearings and proceeded to the briefing on the Bill.

# 2. Briefing by the Provincial Treasury on the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Act Repeal Bill [B 3 - 2023]

Ms Robinson briefed the Committee, stakeholders and members of the public on the Bills.

The Committee proceeded to ask for oral submissions on the Bill.

## 3. Submissions on the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Act Repeal Bill [B 3 - 2023]

The public was given an opportunity to provide input on the Bill. The Chairperson noted that there were no oral submissions on the Bill.

The Chairperson informed the Committee if they had additional comments and questions for the Provincial Treasury.

Member Nkondlo questioned whether it was procedural to allow Members to ask the Provincial Treasury questions during a public hearing, as this did not seem to be a common practice for public hearings. She further indicated that the information requested on 1 September 2023 had been sent the day below and enquired about the delay in receiving the information. Member Nkondlo also indicated that she would like the Provincial Treasury and the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Public Education and Outreach to be invited to the meeting on 1 November 2023 to speak to public participation and input from the stakeholders on the Bill.

The Chairperson noted Member Nkondlo's concern and indicated that the questions would be responded to following the meeting.

The Chairperson opened the floor for any further questions and submissions. There were no further submissions.

The Chairperson thanked the members of the public for their attendance and indicated that the deadline for written comments was on 26 October 2023.

4. Resolutions/Actions

The Committee RESOLVED the following:

- 4.1 To invite Provincial Treasury and the Public Education and Outreach unit to speak to public participation and interest from the industry in the Bill on 1 November 2023; and
- 4.2 To hold the informal and formal deliberations on the Bill at the meeting on 1 November 2023.

The meeting adjourned at 13h40.

MS CAT MURRAY, MPP CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM