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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM

Wednesday, 31 March 2021 (08h00) Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Baartman, D (Chairperson) Mitchell, D Van der Westhuizen, A

African National Congress

Nkondlo, N

Economic Freedom Fighters

Makamba-Botya, N

The following persons were in attendance:

Western Cape Provincial Parliament:

Ms Z Adams, Procedural Officer Ms L Cloete, Senior Procedural Officer Ms M Motsapi, Committee Assistant Adv. R Maasdorp, Legal Adviser

Provincial Treasury

Ms C Horton, Fiscal Policy Dr N Nleya, Director: Fiscal Policy Dr R Havemann, Deputy Director-General Mr M Booysen, Acting Chief Director: Public Policy Services

Department of the Premier

Ms M Muller, State Law Adviser

1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson welcomed the Members, officials and members of the public to the Committee and reminded the attendees about the Rules of Engagement for virtual meetings. The Chairperson also gave a breakdown of the process for the informal and formal consideration of the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1 - 2020].

2. Informal Consideration of the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1-2020]

The Chairperson indicated that Members should raise any concerns, questions of clarity and propose possible amendments during this stage of the Bill. The Chairperson proceeded to the clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill. No amendments were proposed.

The Chairperson indicated that there was a typo at the beginning of Clause 1, in line 6 of the Bill, where it read "Sectiont" instead of "Section". Adv. Maasdorp had indicated that since this was a typo, it did not warrant a substantive amendment. This would be corrected by the Administration if the Bill was passed by the Committee. The Committee RESOLVED that this error in the English version of the Bill would be corrected by the Administration once the Bill was finalised/passed by the Committee.

The Chairperson noted that there were no further amendments proposed and that the Committee supported the move to the next step, which was the "Motion of Desirability".

3. Motion of Desirability for the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1 - 2020]

The Chairperson read out the Motion of Desirability and asked if all Members of the Committee were in agreement.

Member Mitchell proposed that the Committee accept the Motion of Desirability. Member van der Westhuizen supported this proposal.

The Chairperson noted that the Committee was in agreement with the Motion of Desirability.

The Committee moved to the formal consideration of the Bill.

4. Formal Consideration of the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1 - 2020]

The Chairperson put forward Clause 1, which was agreed to.

The Chairperson put forward Clause 2, which was agreed to.

The Chairperson put forward Clause 3, which was agreed to.

The Chairperson put forward Clause 4, which was agreed to.

The Chairperson put forward Clause 5, which was agreed to.

The Chairperson put forward the short title, which was agreed to.

The Chairperson put forward the long title, which was agreed to.

The Chairperson put forward the entire Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1 - 2020], which was agreed to.

The Chairperson indicated that the Committee would take a brief break so that the Administration could prepare the Draft Committee Report on the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1 - 2020].

During the break, Ms Muller indicated that the Committee should change the date on the short title of the Bill, from 2020 to 2021, and that this should take the form of an official amendment (A List of Amendments/A Bill). This was communicated to the Committee. When the Committee resumed its work after the break, Adv. Maasdorp indicated, after consultation with the Office of the Speaker, that this had not been done before and that the date of the passing of the Bill was arbitrary in relation to the date of the Bill's introduction and the date that the Bill would be assented to by the Premier. It was also an assumption that the Premier would assent to the Bill in 2021, when it could be assented to during any other year. It was therefore recommended that the date remain as 2020 and that no amendments be made.

The Committee continued to the consideration and adoption of the Draft Committee Report on the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1 - 2020].

5. Consideration and Adoption of the Draft Committee Report on the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1 - 2020]

The Chairperson tabled the Draft Committee Report on the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1 - 2020] for consideration by the Committee and noted that no Minority View was expressed during the deliberations on the Bill.

Member Mitchell moved that the Draft Report be adopted. This was seconded by Member van der Westhuizen.

The Chairperson noted that the Report was adopted and would be ATC'd. Thereafter, the Report and the Bill would be considered in the House.

6. Consideration and Adoption of Draft Committee Minutes

The Committee considered and adopted the Draft Committee Minutes of 3 and 10 February 2021, 11 March 2021 and, 18 and 19 March 2021. The Draft Minutes of 3 February 2021 was adopted with an amendment. The Draft Minutes of 10 February, 11 and 18 March 2021 were adopted without amendments. The Draft Minutes of 19 March 2021 was adopted subject to confirmation of whether Member L Mvimbi (ANC) attended this meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 09h30.

ADV. D BAARTMAN, MPP CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND TOURISM DATE: 12 May 2021