

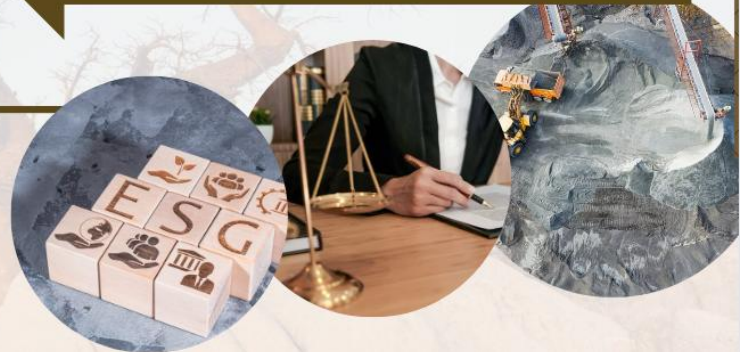
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## **FEBRUARY 2025 SHE LEGISLATION UPDATE**

### **SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL (SHE) LEGISLATION UPDATE**

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### **National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003 (NEM:PAA)**

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### **National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act 24 of 2008**

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  - b. Western Cape Province as Part of the Existing Tankwa Karoo National Park in Terms of the NEM:PAA. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 60 days of publication of this notice. Published in GG 52151 NN 5888 dated 21 February 2025.
  - c. Northern Cape Province as Part of the Existing Tankwa Karoo National Park in Terms of the NEM:PAA. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 60 days of publication of this notice. Published in GG 52151 NN 5889 dated 21 February 2025.
  - d. Western Cape Province as Part of the Existing Agulhas National Park in Terms of the NEM:PAA. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 60 days of publication of this notice. Published in GG 52199 NN 5929 dated 28 February 2025.

### **Civil Aviation Act 13 of 2009**

16. Civil Aviation Regulations and Technical Standards. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments by 24 March 2025. Published in GG 51846 NN 5649 dated 3 January 2025.

### **Standards Act 8 of 2008**

17. Drafts for Comment: Amendment of Existing Standards; Withdrawal of the South African National Standards; Withdrawal of Informative and Normative Documents; Issuing of the South African National Standards. Published in GG 52062 NN 2988 dated 5 February 2025 and GG 52148 NN 3012 dated 20 February 2025.

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21. National Building Regulation and Building Standards Act 103 of 1977: The Alfred Duma Local Municipality Building Control By-law, 2025. Published in PG 2780 NN 856 dated 13 February 2025 and PG 2781 NN 856 dated 20 February 2025.

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24. Western Cape Biodiversity Act 6 of 2021: Draft 2024 Western Cape Protected Areas Expansion Strategy. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 60 days of publication of this notice. Published in PG 9023 dated 31 January 2025.

### **Eastern Cape Province**

25. Environmental Conservation Decree 9 of 1992: Wild Coast Coastal Development Plan. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 60 days of publication of this notice. Published in PG 5351 NN 160 dated 3 February 2025.
26. National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998: Notice of a Pre-application Draft Environmental Impact Report and a Biodiversity Offset Concept Report for the Proposed Pioneer Solar PV Facility and Transmission Lines, Gqeberha, within Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 30 days of publication of this notice. Published in PG 5358 NN 161 dated 10 February 2025.
27. Draft Seekoei Estuarine Management Plan. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 30 days of publication of this notice. Published in PG 5358 NN 162 dated 10 February 2025.

### **KwaZulu-Natal Province**

28. National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003: Consultation Process in terms of section 33(1) of the NEM:PAA. Notice of Intention to Declare the Leopard Walk Private Nature Reserve. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 60 days of publication of this notice. Published in PG 2779 NN 851 dated 6 February 2025.

## **PART TWO: PARLIAMENTARY MONITORING**

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### **BILLS BEFORE PARLIAMENT (AS OF 28 FEBRUARY 2025)**

1. Marine Oil Pollution (Preparedness, Response and Cooperation) Bill (B10-2022).

2. Merchant Shipping Bill (B12-2023).

**BILLS BEFORE THE PRESIDENT (AS OF 28 FEBRUARY 2025)**

1. Agricultural Product Standards Amendment Bill (B15 – 2021).

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