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MAY 2025 SHE LEGISLATION UPDATE

SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL (SHE) LEGISLATION UPDATE

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- 4. Adoption and implementation of the Sandveld Environmental Management Framework Standard, 2025 and the exclusion of identified activities from the requirement to obtain an Environmental Authorisation. Published in GG 52691 NN 6202 dated 16 May 2025.

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- 13. 2024 Employment Equity Public Register in terms of section 41. Published in GG 52712 NN 6221 dated 23 May 2025.

Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 ("POPIA")

14. Notice setting out a proposed code of conduct from the Residential Community Industry (RCI) that deals with how personal information will be processed in the residential community sector, in terms of section 61(2) of POPIA. Published in GG 52712 NN 6216 dated 23 May 2025.

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National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act 39 of 2004 ("NEM:AQA")

16. Draft National Dust Control Amendment Regulations for public comment. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 30 days from publication of this notice. Published in GG 32688 NN 6186 dated 16 May 2025.

Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002

17. Publication of the draft Mineral Resources Development Bill, 2025 for public comment. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments on or before 13 August 2025. Published in GG 52704 NN 6210 dated 20 May 2025.

National Environmental Management: Waste Act 59 of 2008

18. Extension of commenting period on the proposed amendments to the regulations regarding the exclusion of a waste stream or a portion of a waste stream from the definition of waste, 2018 from within 30 days from publication of the notice as originally published in GG 52454 NN 6102 of 4 April 2025. Members of the public are invited to continue submitting their written comments by no later than 30 days from publication of this notice. Published in GG 52710 NN 6212 dated 21 May 2025.

Draft National Policy on Heritage Memorialisation

19. Publication of Notice to request public comment on the draft national policy framework for heritage memorialisation. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments on or before 20 June 2025. Published in GG 52724 NN 3228 dated 23 May 2025.

Civil Aviation Policy and Legislation

20. Publication of Notice to request public comment on the Draft Comprehensive Civil Aviation Policy. Members of the public are invited to submit their written comments within 30 days from publication of this notice. Published in GG 52726 NN 6220 dated 23 May 2025.

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Free State Province

22. Notice for a Water Use Licence Application Process for Water Uses as defined in section 21(G), (C), & (I) for the Development of a Rendering Plant. Published in PG 19 NN 34 dated 23 May 2025.

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- 24. Promotion of Access to Information Act 2 of 2000, as amended and Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013: Manual. Published in PG 3674 NN 580 dated 23 May 2025.
- 25. National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998: Portion 2 of the Farm Tshikondeni No. 304. Published in PG 3674 NN 581 dated 23 May 2025.
- 26. National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003: Declaration of Additions in Lapalala Wilderness Nature Reserve in terms of section 23(1) of the Act. Published in PG 3674 NN 1053 dated 23 May 2025.

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31. Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013: Draft Spatial Development Framework for the Blouberg Local Municipality. Published in PG 3673 NN 1094 dated 16 May 2025.

PART TWO: PARLIAMENTARY MONITORING

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BILLS BEFORE THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (AS OF 31 MAY 2025)

- 1. South African National Water Resources Infrastructure Agency SOC Limited Amendment Bill (B13-2025)
- 2. Performing Animals Protection Amendment Bill (B12-2025).
- 3. Local Government: Municipal Structures Second Amendment Bill (B9-2025).
- 4. Local Government: Municipal Structures Amendment Bill (B2-2025).
- 5. Constitution Nineteenth Amendment Bill (B1-2025).
- 6. Constitution Twenty-First Amendment Bill (PMB) (B22-2024)
- 7. Constitution Twentieth Amendment Bill (B20-2023).
- 8. Merchant Shipping Bill (B12-2023)
- 9. Prevention of Illegal Eviction from and Unlawful Occupation of Land Amendment Bill (B6-2023)

BILLS BEFORE THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES (AS OF 31 MAY 2025)

- 1. Independent Municipal Demarcation Authority Bill (B14-2022).
- 2. Marine Oil Pollution (Preparedness, Response and Cooperation) Bill (B10-2022).

BILLS BEFORE THE PRESIDENT (AS OF 31 MAY 2025)

There are currently no bills before the President.

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