

# **NOVEMBER 2025 SHE LEGISLATION UPDATE**

# SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL (SHE) LEGISLATION UPDATE

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## **SECTION A: ENVIRONMENTAL (NATIONAL)**

### Electricity Regulation Act 4 of 2006 ("ERA"):

Notice introduces the Rules for Conducting Tribunal Proceedings, issued under section 18(7) of the ERA, section 34(3) of the Gas Act 48 of 2001 and section 33(3) of the Petroleum Pipelines Act 60 of 2003. These rules lay down procedures for referrals, document service, hearings, representation, consolidation of parties, intervention, witness management, confidentiality safeguards and the powers of the Tribunal which include penalties for non-compliance. Published in GG 53660 NN 6823 dated 12 November 2025.

#### Plant Improvement Act 11 of 2018 ("PIA"):

- 2. Notice proclaims the commencement of the PIA, issued under section 66 of the Act. It specifies that the Act will come into operation on 1 December 2025, thereby activating provisions for regulating plant quality standards, certification and related compliance measures. Published in GG 53707 NN 296 dated 21 November 2025.
- 3. Notice introduces the Regulations under the PIA issued in terms of section 56. These regulations lay down requirements for the registration of businesses and premises, conditions for the sale of plants and propagating material, varietal registration, certification schemes, and exemptions. They also set forth rules for hemp permits, import and export procedures, marking and labelling standards, record-keeping obligations and inspection protocols to ensure plant quality, varietal integrity and phytosanitary compliance. Published in GG 53241 NN R.6546 dated 29 August 2025 and withdrawn by NN R.6793 in GG 53629 dated 7 November 2025.
- 4. Notice introduces the Regulations under the PIA, issued in terms of section 58 of the Act. These regulations lay down comprehensive provisions for plant and seed quality management, including business and premises registration, varietal listing, certification schemes, sale conditions for plants and propagating material, hemp permit requirements, and standards for seed purity, germination and labelling. They further outline exemptions, record-keeping obligations, inspection protocols, and fees applicable for permits and services. Published in GG 53707 NN R. 6852 dated 21 November 2025.

#### Marine Living Resources Act 18 of 1998 ("MLRA"):

- 5. Notice amends the Regulations for the Protection of Wild Abalone, issued under sections 77(1)(b) and (2)(y) of the MLRA. These amendments set forth new definitions, introduce restrictions on SCUBA diving operations, outline factors for permit assessments and update listed conservation areas to strengthen abalone protection. Published in GG 53629 NN R.6795 dated 7 November 2025.
- 6. Notice amends the Regulations under the MLRA issued in terms of sections 77(1) and 77(2)(I). The amendment revises provisions relating to the recreational fishing season for West Coast Rock Lobster, setting out updated dates for permissible fishing, daily catch limits and permit requirements. Published in GG 53739 NN R. 6888 dated 28 November 2025.

#### National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 ("NEMA"):

7. Notice introduces the Onshore Well Decommissioning Guidelines, issued under section 20(2) of the Proposed Regulations Pertaining to the Exploration and Production of Onshore Oil and Gas Requiring Hydraulic Fracturing, published in terms of the NEMA. These guidelines outline minimum standards for permanent and temporary abandonment of wells, detailing barrier design, placement and verification requirements, environmental risk assessments and submission procedures for regulatory approval. They also provide measures to prevent hydrocarbon leakage, cross-flow between formations and contamination of

freshwater aquifers while addressing legacy wells and special conditions. Published in GG 53637 NN 6807 dated 7 November 2025.

#### National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 20023 ("NEM:PAA"):

8. Notice declares additional areas in the Northern Cape Province as part of the existing Namaqua National Park, issued under section 20(1)(a)(ii) of the NEM:PAA. The declaration incorporates specified farm portions into the park to enhance conservation and biodiversity protection. Published in GG 53637 NN 6809 dated 7 November 2025.

#### National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act 10 of 2004 ("NEM:BA"):

9. Notice issues a correction to GG 53394 NN 6663 of 22 September 2025, under the NEM:BA. The revised title reflects an intention to set a zero-export quota for trade in lion bones sourced from captive breeding operations in South Africa for the 2025 calendar year, replacing the previous reference to inclusion of succulent plant species. Published in GG 53650 NN 6819 dated 10 November 2025.

## SECTION B: SAFETY, HEALTH & OTHER (NATIONAL)

#### Compensation for Occupation Injuries and Diseases Act 130 of 1993 ("COIDA"):

10. Notice announces the increase in monthly pensions and Constant Attendance Allowance (CAA) under the COIDA, issued in terms of section 57(1). It prescribes a 5% rise in monthly pensions and a 6% increase in CAA for accidents occurring before 31 March 2025 and occupational diseases diagnosed before that date, effective from 1 April 2025. Published in GG 53669, NN 3605 dated 14 November 2025.

#### Labour Relations Act 66 of 1995 ("LRA"):

11. Notice revises and sets forth designations of essential services under section 71 of the LRA. It updates previous determinations to include municipal health services as defined in the National Health Act, along with public primary health care, and specifies essential services for tailing dam operations, covering construction, maintenance, risk management and hydro mining activities. Additionally, it designates monitoring, evaluation, and inspection of health products, medical devices and radiation control as essential services. Published in GG 53662 NN3597 dated 14 November 2025.

#### World Heritage Convention Act 49 of 1999 ("WHCA"):

12. Notice signals the intention to proclaim land in KwaZulu-Natal and Western Cape as the Emergence of Modern Human Behaviour: The Pleistocene Occupation Sites of South Africa World Heritage Site, under sections 1(xxiv)(a), 7 and 8 of the WHCA. It outlines the proposed components such as Diepkloof Rock Shelter, Pinnacle Point Site Complex and Sibhudu Cave along with their management authorities and applicable legislative provisions for governance. Published in GG 53637 NN 6810 dated 7 November 2025.

#### Disaster Management Act 57 of 2002 ("DMA"):

13. Notice classifies gender-based violence and femicide as a national disaster under section 23(1)(b) of the DMA. It sets forth measures for coordination and management by the National Executive, calling on organs of state to strengthen contingency arrangements, implement risk avoidance programmes, and adopt multisectoral prevention, mitigation, relief and rehabilitation plans. Published in GG 53711 NN 6870 dated 24 November 2025.

# SECTION C: DRAFT SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL FOR COMMENT (DRAFT NATIONAL LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS)

## Standards Act 8 of 2008 ("SA"):

14. Notice sets out draft standards for public comment and announces new and amended South African National Standards under the SA. These standards cover areas such as food safety microbiology, electrical

- installations, alarm systems, battery repurposing, hempseed product quality and environmental guidelines for energy storage systems. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments on or before 13 January 2026. Published in GG 53662 NN 3600 dated 14 November 2025.
- 15. Notice issues draft standards for public comment under section 23(2)(a)(ii) of the SA. These drafts outline specifications and guidelines for diverse areas including tyre safety, hydraulic cement performance, treated wood pole inspection, respiratory equipment, paints and varnishes testing, hemp seed quality and food safety, cosmetic microbiology, explosive atmosphere installations, photovoltaic systems, food safety prerequisite programmes and nanotechnology health practices. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments on or before 20 January 2026. Published in GG 53708 NN 3637 dated 21 November 2025.

#### National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 ("NEMA"):

- 16. Notice proposes the Regulations for the Exploration and Production of Onshore Petroleum Resources Requiring Fracturing Technology, issued under sections 44(1)(a) and 44(1) (aA) read with sections 24(5)(b)(x), 24(5)(h) and 50A of the NEMA. These regulations set out prohibitions on certain activities and areas, prescribe environmental obligations, establish standards for well design and integrity, mandate monitoring and reporting requirements, and outline authorisation procedures for exploration and production using fracturing technology. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of the publication of this notice. Published in GG 53637 NN 6806 dated 7 November 2025.
- 17. Notice sets forth the Minimum Information Requirements for the Exploration and Production of Onshore Petroleum Using Fracturing Technology, issued under section 24(5)(h) of the NEMA. These requirements outline the content and structure of consolidated assessment reports, scoping and environmental impact processes, specialist studies, public participation protocols and operational monitoring plans for projects involving hydraulic fracturing. They aim to integrate authorisation procedures across multiple regulatory frameworks, ensure environmental risk mitigation, and provide guidance on technical, social and ecological assessments. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in Government Gazette 53637, NN. 6808 dated 7 November 2025.
- 18. Notice introduces the Minimum Information Requirements for Baseline Monitoring for Onshore Exploration Operations, issued under section 24(5)(h) of the NEMA. These requirements lay down standards for collecting pre-fracturing environmental data, consolidating assessment reports and preparing baseline monitoring plans. They outline obligations for surface and groundwater monitoring, air quality assessments, seismicity checks, biodiversity surveys, cultural heritage evaluations, waste management reviews and socio-economic studies, ensuring informed decision-making and integrated public participation. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in GG 53637 NN 6811 dated 7 November 2025.

#### Merchant Shipping Act 57 of 1951 ("MSA"):

19. Notice introduces the draft Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Equipment and Fire Appliances) Regulations, issued under section 356(1) of the MSA. These regulations lay down comprehensive requirements for life-saving appliances and fire safety systems on vessels, including compliance with international codes, operational readiness, stowage, training, emergency drills and approval standards. They further stipulate provisions for lifeboats, life rafts, rescue boats, fire pumps, extinguishing systems, detection systems and exemptions for certain vessels. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in GG 53662 NN 3603 dated 14 November 2025.

#### Compensation for Occupation Injuries and Diseases Act 130 of 1993 ("COIDA"):

20. Notice introduces the Regulations on Appointment of Assessors, Presiding Officers and Interpreters for the Compensation Fund, issued under section 97 read with section 8 of the COIDA. These regulations set forth procedures for tribunal hearings, nomination processes, minimum qualifications, disqualification criteria, conflict of interest rules, remuneration, training obligation and performance assessments for panel members. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in GG 53668 NN R. 6841 dated 14 November 2025.

#### Agricultural Products Standards Act 119 of 1990 ("APSA"):

21. Notice sets out proposed inspection fees for 2026 by the designated assignee, Food Safety Agency (Pty) Ltd, issued under section 3 of the APSA. The proposal outlines revised hourly rates for inspections, kilometre charges, and sampling fees for protein, fat, starch, soya content, calcium determination, meat species identification and physical tests which reflect an inflationary increase of 6%. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in GG 53662 NN 6828 dated 14 November 2025.

#### National Water Act 36 of 1998 ("NWA"):

22. Notice proposes the Reserve determination for water resources in the Usuthu-Mhlathuze catchments within the Inkomati-Usuthu and Pongola-Mtamvuna Water Management Areas, issued under section 16(3) of the NWA. This determination sets out ecological water requirements, basic human needs, water quality standards, and groundwater contributions for rivers, wetlands, and estuaries, ensuring sustainable water allocation and ecosystem protection. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 60 days from the date of publication. Published in GG 53708 NN 6869 dated 21 November 2025.

# SECTION D: SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL (PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION AND MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS)

#### **Eastern Cape Province**

- 23. Notice adopts the Spatial Development Framework for the Winnie Madikizela-Mandela Local Municipality, issued under Chapter 4 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013. This framework sets forth guidelines for spatial planning, land use management, and sustainable development to promote socio-economic growth and equitable opportunities within the municipality. Published in PG 5529 NN 1551 dated 10 November 2025.
- 24. Notice introduces the Environmental Management By-law for Ingquza Hill Local Municipality, issued under section 13(a) of the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000. This by-law lays down a comprehensive framework for environmental governance within the municipality, addressing atmospheric, hydrological, lithospheric and biospheric concerns. It sets forth prohibitions on illegal dumping, open burning, and harmful emissions; prescribes measures for dust control, pesticide spraying and sandblasting; and stipulates rules for water source protection, sewage disposal, biodiversity conservation and management of invasive species. Published in PG 5538 NN dated 24 November 2025.

#### KwaZulu-Natal Province

- 25. Notice adopts the Single Land Use Scheme for Johannes Phumani Phungula Local Municipality, issued under section 24 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013. This scheme sets forth regulations governing land use and development rights across the municipality's jurisdiction, ensuring compliance with spatial planning standards. Published in PG 2861 NN 992 dated 6 November 2025.
- 26. Notice introduces the Waste Management By-law for Umsinga Local Municipality, issued under the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 and aligned with the National Environmental Management: Waste Act 59 of 2008. This by-law sets forth a comprehensive framework for waste governance, detailing objectives

to promote sustainable development, regulate waste collection, transportation, storage, recycling and disposal. It stipulates responsibilities for residents and businesses, prescribes waste separation requirements, outlines hazardous waste handling protocols and establishes service standards for municipal waste collection. Published in PG 2865 NN 1003 dated 20 November 2025.

#### **Limpopo Province**

27. Notice provisionally protects Madimatle Mountain and Gatkop Caves as a Provincial Heritage Site, issued under section 29(1)(a) of the National Heritage Resources Act 25 of 1999. This declaration sets forth temporary safeguarding measures for these sites located on Remainder of Donkerpoort 448 KQ and Remainder of Randstephne 445 KQ in the Waterberg District, Limpopo Province for a maximum period of two years from the date of publication. Published in PG 3752 NN 1215 dated 7 November 2025.

#### **North West Province**

28. Notice announces the intention to develop the N18 Corridor Local Spatial Development Framework, issued under Section 6(b) and (d) of the Mahikeng Spatial Planning and Land Use Management By-law, 2018, read with Section 28(3) of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000. This framework lays out strategic spatial planning policies, long-term growth directives and integrated development guidelines for Mahikeng Municipality. Published in PG 8918 NN 758 dated 4 November 2025.

#### Free State Province

29. Notice confirms the approval of the reviewed Spatial Development Framework for Xhariep District Municipality, issued under section 20 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013 and section 28(3) of the Municipal Systems Act. This framework sets forth guidelines for spatial planning, land use management, and development priorities to guide sustainable growth and infrastructure planning within the district. Published in PG 5529 NN 136 dated 07 November 2025.

#### Mpumalanga Province

- 30. Notice announces the adoption of the Govan Mbeki Local Municipality Spatial Development Framework (SDF) 2024/25, approved under Sections 20–22 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013 and Section 11(2) of the municipal Spatial Planning and Land Use Bylaw 2016. This framework outlines spatial policies, strategic objectives, and implementation mechanisms for guiding land use and development within the municipality, updating the previous 2014–2034 SDF. Published in PG 3891 NN 737 dated 7 November 2025.
- 31. Notice introduces the Msukaligwa Municipality By-laws for Pound Management and Fire Brigade Services, enacted under section 156 of the Constitution and section 13 of the Municipal Systems Act, 2000. These by-laws outline procedures for impounding animals, their care, release, disposal, indemnity provisions, and penalties, as well as comprehensive fire safety regulations. The Fire Brigade Services By-law establishes a municipal fire service and prescribes fire prevention measures, hazardous substance controls, emergency evacuation planning, certification requirements for public premises, and transport and storage standards for flammable materials. Published in PG 3901 NN 746 dated 28 November 2025.

#### **Western Cape Province**

32. Notice introduces the Mossel Bay Municipality By-Law Relating to Traffic Offences, enacted under Section 156(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 and Section 13(a) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000. This by-law lays down rules for traffic administration, enforcement powers, vehicle equipment standards, driver responsibilities, road safety provisions, impoundment procedures, metered parking regulations and penalties for non-compliance. Published in PG 9159 NN dated 7 November 2025.

- 33. Notice declares the establishment of Mount David Nature Reserve under section 23(1)(a)(i) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003. This declaration designates 713 hectares of the Remainder of Farm Diepgat No. 597 in Theewaterskloof Municipality as a protected area. Published in PG 9160 NN 124 dated 7 November 2025.
- 34. Notice proclaims the creation of Lettas Kraal Nature Reserve under section 23(1)(a)(i) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003. This declaration designates multiple farm portions in the Breede Valley and Laingsburg Municipalities as a protected area. Published in PG 9160 NN 125 dated 7 November 2025.
- 35. Notice declares the Pietersrivier Nature Reserve under section 23(1)(a)(i) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003. This proclamation designates several land portions in the George Municipality, Western Cape into a formally protected nature reserve. The declaration aims to safeguard biodiversity and ensure sustainable land management within the Uniondale division. Published in PG 9162 NN 127 dated 14 November 2025.
- 36. Notice proclaims the establishment of the Doringkloof Karoo Plaas Nature Reserve under section 23(1)(a)(i) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003. This declaration designates portions of Farm Kruis Rivier No. 20 in the Langeberg Municipality, Western Cape as a formally protected area. The measure aims to conserve biodiversity and promote sustainable land stewardship. Published in PG 9162 NN 128 dated 14 November 2025.
- 37. Notice declares the Silflay Renosterveld Nature Reserve, issued under section 23(1) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003. This declaration designates two properties in the Swellendam Municipality, Western Cape as a protected nature reserve. Published in PG 9164 NN 133 dated 21 November 2025.
- 38. Notice declares the Diosma Nature Reserve, issued under section 23(1) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003. This declaration designates Erf 19274 in Mossel Bay Municipality, Western Cape as a protected nature reserve. Published in PG 9164 NN 134 dated 21 November 2025.

#### **Gauteng Province**

- 39. Notice announces the adoption of the City of Tshwane's Regionalised Spatial Development Frameworks for Regions 1 to 7, issued under subsection 25(4) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 and section 5(5)(i) of the City of Tshwane Land Use Management By-law, 2016 (as amended in 2024). These frameworks outline spatial planning strategies, land use guidelines and development priorities to guide integrated growth across the metropolitan area. Published in PG 410 NN 1402 dated 12 November 2025.
- 40. Notice approves the Gauteng Provincial Land Transport Framework (PLTF) for 2023–2027, issued under section 38(1) of the National Land Transport Act 5 of 2009. The framework lays down strategic guidelines for integrated transport planning, land-use coordination, public transport improvement, non-motorised and sustainable mobility, freight logistics and smart mobility initiatives. Published in PG 449 NN 862 dated 26 November 2025.

# SECTION E: SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL (DRAFT PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION AND MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS)

#### KwaZulu-Natal Province

41. Notice introduces the draft Land Use Scheme for uPhongolo Local Municipality, issued under section 24(1) of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013. This scheme sets forth rules for regulating land use, assigning development rights and establishing standards for spatial planning across the municipal area. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments on or before 8 December 2025. Published in PG 2861 NN 678 dated 6 November 2025.

#### **Limpopo Province**

- 42. Notice signals the intention to declare additions to Mmabolela Estates Private Nature Reserve, issued under section 33(1) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003. The proposed declaration covers multiple farm portions in Limpopo. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 60 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 3755 NN 1219 dated 14 November 2025.
- 43. Notice withdraws the declaration of Hennie Meyer Private Nature Reserve under section 21(4) of the Limpopo Environmental Management Act 7 of 2003. This withdrawal follows a written application by the landowner to remove their property from the reserve so it can be incorporated into Timbavati Private Nature Reserve under section 23(3) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003, ensuring alignment with the GLTFCA Cooperative Agreement and Timbavati's management plan. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 60 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 3755 NN 1220 dated 14 November 2025.
- 44. Notice withdraws the declaration of Giraffe Private Nature Reserve under section 21(4) of the Limpopo Environmental Management Act 7 of 2003. The withdrawal follows a written application by the landowner to remove their property from the reserve so it can be incorporated into Timbavati Private Nature Reserve in terms of section 23(3) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003. This change aims to ensure consistent management under the GLTFCA Cooperative Agreement and Timbavati's management plan. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 60 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 3755 NN 1221 dated 14 November 2025.
- 45. Notice conveys the intention to declare additional properties as part of the Balule Nature Reserve, issued under section 23(1)(a)(i) and (b) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act 57 of 2003, as amended. The declaration aims to strengthen conservation efforts and ensure integrated management within the reserve. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 60 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 3755 NN 1222 dated 14 November 2025.
- 46. Notice introduces the Draft Rand West City Spatial Planning and Land Use Management By-Law, issued under section 7 read with section 8 of the Gauteng Rationalisation of Local Government Affairs Act 10 of 1998 and the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013. The draft by-law sets forth provisions for land use regulation, spatial planning principles, development control measures and public participation procedures within Rand West City Local Municipality. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 3759 NN 1222 dated 21 November 2025.
- 47. Notice records the acceptance of an application for an Exploration Right for petroleum and gas, issued under section 79 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002. The application, lodged by H2Au Limited, spans approximately 695,872 hectares across Limpopo and Mpumalanga and

proposes activities such as geoscientific data collation, seismic reprocessing, airborne geophysics acquisition, geological mapping and drill target evaluation to determine natural gas potential. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 3759 NN 1224 dated 21 November 2025.

#### **Mpumalanga Province**

48. Notice announces the acceptance of an application for an Exploration Right for petroleum and gas, issued under section 79 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002. The application, submitted by H2Au Limited, covers various farms in Gauteng, Limpopo, and Mpumalanga and proposes activities such as geoscientific data collation, geological mapping, seismic reprocessing, feasibility studies, and potential acquisition of airborne geophysics and seismic data. These measures aim to refine subsurface models and identify prospective drill targets. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 3899 NN 710 dated 21 November 2025.

#### **Western Cape Province**

49. Notice announces the intention to seek Environmental Authorisation for the Aria Phase 1 Wind Energy Facility and associated infrastructure, in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, under the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998. The proposal outlines the development of a wind energy facility within the Beaufort West Renewable Energy Development Zone in the Western Cape, aimed at generating electricity through renewable technologies for the national grid. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 9161 NN 126 dated 7 November 2025.

#### **Gauteng Province**

- 50. Notice invites stakeholder engagement on the Draft City of Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality Problem Buildings By-Law, issued under the Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 and guided by the Constitution and National Building Regulations and Building Standards Act 103 of 1977. This draft by-law sets forth measures to regulate neglected, unsafe, or hijacked buildings, aiming to protect public safety, maintain health standards, and preserve the integrity of the built environment. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments on or before 18 December 2025. Published in PG 421 NN 947 dated 13 November 2025.
- 51. Notice introduces the Gauteng Provincial Tow Truck Regulations, issued under section 16A of the Gauteng Provincial Road Traffic Act 10 of 1997 (as amended). These regulations lay down licensing requirements for tow truck operators, driver registration obligations, conditions for operating licences, consent procedures for accident towing, restrictions on solicitation and inducements, record-keeping duties, and penalties for non-compliance. They also outline enforcement powers, transitional provisions, and standards for safe and ethical towing practices. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 60 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 422 NN 948 dated 13 November 2025.
- 52. Notice announces the acceptance of an application for an Exploration Right for petroleum and gas, issued under section 10(1) of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002. The application by H2Au Limited covers areas in Gauteng, Limpopo, and Mpumalanga and outlines proposed activities such as geoscientific data collection, seismic reprocessing, airborne geophysics acquisition and subsurface modelling to assess natural gas potential. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within 30 days from the date of publication. Published in PG 449 NN 861 dated 26 November 2025.
- 53. Notice introduces the Draft Midvaal Spatial Planning and Land Use Management By-Law, issued under section 7 read with section 8 of the Gauteng Rationalisation of Local Government Affairs Act 10 of 1998 and the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act 16 of 2013. The draft by-law sets forth provisions for land use regulation, spatial planning principles, development control measures and public participation

procedures within Midvaal Local Municipality. Members of the public are invited to submit written comments on or before 17 February 2026. Published in PG 449 NN 1506 dated 26 November 2025.

#### **Northern Cape Province**

54. Notice introduces multiple draft by-laws for Gamagara Local Municipality, issued under section 156 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996. These by-laws establish frameworks for fire safety, land invasion control, outdoor advertising, electricity supply, heritage resources, cemeteries, commonage management, boarding houses and animal impoundment. They set out administrative provisions, compliance requirements, prohibited conduct, enforcement mechanisms, penalties and appeal procedures. Published in PG 2832 NN 882 dated 24 November 2025.

#### PART TWO: PARLIAMENTARY MONITORING

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#### BILLS BEFORE THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (AS OF 30 NOVEMBER 2025)

- 1. Water Services Amendment Bill (B24-2025).
- 2. Performing Animals Protection Amendment Bill (B12-2025).
- 3. South African National Water Resources Infrastructure Agency SOC Limited Amendment Bill (B13-2025).
- 4. Merchant Shipping Bill (B12-2023).
- 5. Prevention of Illegal Eviction from and Unlawful Occupation of Land Amendment Bill (B6-2023).
- 6. Marine Oil Pollution (Preparedness, Response and Cooperation) Bill (B10-2022).

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