

PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE 4211 OF 2026

MS DERELEEN JAMES, MP**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INTRODUCE A PRIVATE MEMBER'S BILL
AND INVITATION FOR COMMENT THEREON, NAMELY THE NATIONAL
PROSECUTING AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL, 2026**

Ms Dereleen James, MP, acting in accordance with section 73(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, intends to introduce the National Prosecuting Authority Amendment Bill, 2026, ("the Bill") in Parliament. An explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 276(1)(c) of the Rules of the National Assembly (9th Edition).

BACKGROUND

The National Prosecuting Authority Act, 1998 (Act No. 32 of 1998), provides for the establishment and functioning of a single national prosecuting authority. The Investigating Directorate against Corruption is presently located in the Office of the National Director of Public Prosecutions and is mandated to investigate and prosecute specified serious, high-profile or complex corruption and related offences.

The Bill seeks to strengthen and further institutionalise the Investigating Directorate against Corruption by clarifying and expanding its mandate, jurisdiction and institutional arrangements. It also seeks to reinforce its operational capacity, security of tenure, financial arrangements, accountability and continuity.

The Bill accordingly provides for an integrated specialist capacity to prevent, investigate and prosecute serious corruption matters, organised crime, serious commercial and financial crime, and offences affecting the integrity of the State, constitutional institutions and public administration, while preserving prosecutorial independence and the lawful exercise of prosecutorial discretion.

Interested parties and institutions are invited to submit written representations on the proposed content of the draft Bill to the Speaker of the National Assembly within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Representations can be delivered to the Speaker, New Assembly Building, Parliament Street, Cape Town; mailed to the Speaker, PO Box 15, Cape Town, 8000; or emailed to NPAAB@parliament.gov.za and copied to parliament@actionsa.org.za

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