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Liquor Products Amendment Bill B010B-2016

The Liquor Products Amendment Bill has been passed by parliament and sent to president Ramaphosa for assent. The national assembly passed the bill and sent it to the national council of provinces for concurrence in October 2017. The bill was tabled in parliament in July 2016. The proposed legislation seeks to amend the Liquor Products Act in order to:

- insert certain definitions and to amend and delete others;
- provide for the renaming and reconstitution of the Wine and Spirit Board and to limit its powers;
- provide for requirements regarding beer, traditional African beer and other fermented beverages;
- repeal a provision in respect of the authorisations regarding certain alcoholic products;
- empower the Minister to designate a person to issue export certificates;
- align certain provisions with the constitution;
- extend the ministers power to make regulations;
- provide gender-equal terminology; and
- provide for matters connected therewith.