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The Liquor Products Amendment Bill

Parliament seeks comment on the Liquor Products Amendment Bill.

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.

The Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries will conduct Public Hearings in Parliament on the Liquor Products Amendment Bill [B10–2016], on Tuesday, 15 and Wednesday, 16 August 2017.

The Wine and Spirits Board, as well as industry bodies will make representations at their discretion. View the attached Bill for details.