

## **GUIDELINE FOR CAPTURING AND TRACKING LEGISLATION - 2006**

Name of the Ministry piloting the Bill	Short title of Bill	Strategic Focus of the Bill	Date for submission of Bill to the Cabinet	Implementation plan for the Bill	Financial Implications	Other implications
Ministry of Trade & Industry	Corporate Laws Amendment Bill	The Bill deals with financial reporting standards, both the imposition of standards and the infrastructure necessary to give effect to it, and accounting standards.	Already approved by Cabinet. To be submitted to State Law Advisers for review and certification.		The remune- ration of members and operating expenses will be borne by the dti from its existing budget as well as fees that may be payable. The amendments will have huge cost reduction benefits for CIPRO.	



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	Consumer Protection Bill	The Bill seeks to provide a comprehensive framework for consumer protection in South Africa by consolidating the fragmented provisions of various laws providing for the rights and obligations of consumers in the marketplace. It further deals with the regulation of the industry and sets out effective enforcement mechanisms and guiding principles for the conduct of all market participants.	June 2006			
	Enterprise Development Bill	To align the dti financial incentives with the requirements of a changing economy.	July 2006			

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	Intellectual Property Amendment Bill	The Amendment Bill seeks to give effect to the provisions of international treaties, conventions, protocols etc. that South Africa has acceded to in the sphere of intellectual property law. It will consolidate all consequential amendments to intellectual property legislation pursuant to the ratification of the relevant international instruments.	August 2006			
	Sugar Bill	To consolidate and amend the laws relating to the Sugar Industry; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.	August 2006			



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	Competition Amendment Bill	The Amendment Bill seeks to strengthen certain provisions of the Competition Act, so as to enable the competition authorities to deal with anticompetitive price strategies by firms and to address the levels of concentration inherited from the competition dispensation of the past.	July 2006			
	Lotteries Amendment Bill	The Amendment Bill seeks to address a number of issues pertaining to the distribution of lotteries funds. It further seeks to clarify or to review the roles and accountability of the various institutions established under the Act.	July 2006			



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	Accreditation for Conformity Assessment Bill	The purpose of the Bill is to provide an internationally recognised and effective accreditation and monitoring system for South Africa by –  a) establishing SANAS as a public entity;	April 2006	Provision is made for transitional arrangements in the Bill. A communication plan, asset transfer and human resource plans are developed in cooperation with SANAS.	Provision is made in the MTEF for continued funding. The current baseline is too low and does not reflect allocations of previous years. The dti is addressing this issue. Additional funding is required for Board remuneration.	



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		b) recognising SANAS as the only accreditatior: body in South Africa accrediting laboratories, certification bodies and inspection bodies.				
	Measure- ment Units and Measure- ment Standards Bill	To provide for the use of measurement units of the International System of Units and certain other measurement units; for the designation of national measurement standards; for keeping and maintaining national measurement standards and units; for the establishment, powers and functions of the National Metrology Institute; and to provide for matters connected	April 2006	Provision is made for transitional arrangements in the Bill. A communication plan, asset transfer and human resource plans are developed in cooperation with the CSIR.	Provision is made in the MTEF for continued funding. The appointment of a CEO and Board will however require additional funding. The new entity will not be registered	



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	Standards Bill	To provide for the development, promotion and maintenance of standardization and quality in connection with commodities and the rendering of related conformity assessment services; and for that purpose to provide for the continued existence of the South African Bureau of Standards as the peak national institution; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.	July 2006	Provision is made for transitional arrangements in the Bill.  A communication plan, asset transfer and human resource plans will be developed in cooperation with the SABS.	Provision is made in the MTEF for continued funding.	
	Compulsory Specifi- cations of Standards Bill	To provide for the development, administration and maintenance of compulsory technical regulations in the	July 2006	Provision is made for transitional arrangements in the Bill.  A communication	The current budget allocated to the SABS will be proportional-	



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		interests of safety, health, consumer protection and environmental protection; and for the establishment of the National Regulator of South Africa; and for related matters.		plan, asset transfer and human resource plans will be developed in cooperation with the SABS.	ly divided and additional funds will have to be allocated for the appointment of a CEO and Board for the new Regulatory Body.	