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PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON ROADS & TRANSPORT

NEGOTIATING MANDATE ON NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT TRANSITION BILL [B 38 - 2005]

1. INTRODUCTION

The National Land Transport Transition Bill 2005 was referred to the Legislature by the National Council of Provinces. Upon receipt by the Provincial Legislature, the Bill was further referred to the Portfolio Committee on Roads and Transport for consideration.

2. PURPOSE OF THE BILL

Primarily, the Bill seeks to effect additional changes on the definition of some concepts such as 'association' to include 'any group of persons formed primarily for the operation of a public transport services', thereby bringing into the fold all other modes of transport. These additional definitions were necessary because some were not clear and they had to be reviewed and simplified for proper transport planning regime.

The Bill also makes provision for new type of taxi vehicle for taxi recapitalization; extend responsibilities of the Ministers, MEC's, Transport Registrar and Operating License Board. The Bill also intended to regulate metered taxis, conveyance of passengers by LDVs and Trucks, including operating licenses for tourist services.

Further than this, the Bill also covers issues relating to skills development legislation, provisions for local government laws on preferential procurement and transport planning processes.

BRIEFING BY NCOP DELEGATES

The Permanent Delegate from the National Council of Provinces briefed Members of the Portfolio Committee on Roads and Transport on the implications of the Bill in its entirety. On the basis of this



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briefing, the Portfolio Committee felt that Bill needs to be subjected to public hearings to solicited views of all key stakeholders provided there is sufficient time as per legislative process.

3. COMMITTEE POSITION ON THE BILL

It was for reasons of insufficient timeframes that the Portfolio Committee on Roads and Transport decided to continue with the negotiations while exploring avenues to convince the NCOP to consider extension of the legislative process on the Bill.

4. NEGOTIATING MANDATE

Having considered and taking into consideration envisaged public hearings on the Bill, the Portfolio Committee on Roads and Transport confers a mandate on our NCOP Delegates to negotiate in favour of the Bill pending the outcomes of the public hearings.

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