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PUBLICATION OF EXPLANATORY SUMMARY OF THE ELECTRICITY REGULATION ACT AMENDMENT BILL, 2022

1. Notice is hereby given in terms of Rule 276(1)(b) of the Rules of the National Assembly that the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy intends to introduce the Electricity Regulation Amendment Bill, 2022 (the Bill), in the National Assembly shortly.
2. The explanatory summary of the Bill is hereby published in accordance with Rule 276(1)(c) of the Rules of the National Assembly.
3. The purpose of the Bill is to amend the Electricity Regulation Act, 2006 (Act No. 4 of 2006) (the ERA) in order to strengthen the role of the National Energy Regulator of South Africa; to strengthen the provisions related to licensed and exempted activities; to amend section 34 of the ERA in order to clarify the circumstances under which the Minister may make ministerial determinations; to provide for the establishment, duties, powers and functions of the Transmission System Operator and to assign the duties, powers and functions of the Transmission System Operator to the National Transmission Company South Africa SOC Ltd; and to provide for an open market platform that will allow for competitive electricity trading.
4. A copy of the Bill can be found on the websites of the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy at <http://www.dmre.gov.za> and the Parliamentary Monitoring Group at <http://www.pmg.org.za>.



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