It is hereby notified that the President has assented to the following Act which is hereby published for general information:—

ACT

To amend the Tourism Act, 1993, so as to further regulate the composition of the South African Tourism Board; to further regulate the convening of an extraordinary meeting of the board; and to provide for measures to promote and maintain a sound working relationship between the board and the provinces; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:—

Amendment of section 4 of Act 72 of 1993, as amended by section 3 of Act 105 of 1996

1. Section 4 of the Tourism Act, 1993 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), is hereby amended—

(a) by the substitution for subsection (1) of the following subsection:

“(l) The board shall consist of not fewer than [15] nine and not more than [20] 15 members, who shall be appointed by the Minister in terms of subsection (2).”;

(b) by the substitution for paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of the following paragraph:

“(a) The Minister shall appoint as members of the board not fewer than [15] nine persons who are, by virtue of their knowledge of or present or potential active involvement in the tourism industry, fit to serve on the board [and shall ensure that the interests of the key parties involved in tourism, including the business, community and labour sectors, are equitably represented on the board].”;

(c) by the deletion of paragraph (b) of subsection (2);

(d) by the substitution for paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of the following paragraph:

“(d) The Minister shall, before he or she appoints a member of the board (except the member referred to in paragraphs (b)(i) and paragraph (c)), by notice in the Gazette invite all interested persons to submit to him or her, within the period mentioned in the notice, the names of persons who in the opinion of such interested persons are fit to be so appointed, stating the grounds upon which such opinion is based.”; and

(e) by the deletion of subsection (5).
Amendment of section 8 of Act 72 of 1993, as amended by section 5 of Act 105 of 1996

2. Section 8 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for subsection (2) of the following subsection:

“(2) The chairperson may at any time, either of his or her own volition or at the written request of not fewer than [eight] five members of the board, convene an extraordinary meeting of the board, which shall be held at the time and place determined by the chairperson.”.

Insertion of section 13B in Act 72 of 1993

3. The following section is hereby inserted in the principal Act after section 13A:

“Relationship between board and provinces

13B. (1) The chairperson of the board shall submit a copy of the minutes of every meeting of the board to the member of the executive council in every province responsible for tourism.

(2) The board shall in consultation with every member of the executive council contemplated in subsection (1) determine procedures and programmed to promote and maintain a sound working relationship between the board and the various provinces.”.

Short title

4. This Act is called the Tourism Amendment Act, 2000.