OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

No. 2092
7 December 1994

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


GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:

Words in bold type indicate omissions from existing enactments.

Words in italics indicate insertions in existing enactments.

ACT

To provide for the rationalisation of certain laws relating to forestry matters that remained in force in various areas of the national territory of the Republic by virtue of section 229 of the Constitution; to amend the Wattle Bark Industry Act, 1960, so as to redefine certain expressions; to amend the Forest Act, 1984, so as to redefine certain expressions; and to delete certain obsolete provisions; to amend the Management of State Forests Act, 1992, so as to redefine a certain expression; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

(English text signed by the President.)

(Assented to 23 November 1994.)

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

Repeal of laws, and savings

1. (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (2), the laws mentioned in the second column of Schedule 1 are hereby repealed as indicated in the third column of Schedule 1 and in Schedule 2, to the extent that such laws were in force in the various areas of the national territory of the Republic as set out in the fourth column of Schedule 1 immediately prior to the date of commencement of the Constitution.

(2) Anything done under a law mentioned in the second column of Schedule 1 and which is capable of being done under a provision of a law mentioned in the second column of Schedule 3, shall be deemed to have been done under such provision of such law.

Extension of application of certain laws

2. (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (2), the laws mentioned in the second column of Schedule 3 which immediately prior to the date of commencement of the Constitution were in force in the national territory of the Republic, excluding the areas of the national territory set out in the fourth column of Schedule 1, shall, from the date of commencement of this
Act, also apply in respect of all the areas of the national territory set out in the fourth column of Schedule 1, to the extent indicated in the third column of Schedule 3.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1), the provisions of Part VIII of the Forest Act, 1984 (Act No. 122 of 1984), mentioned in the second column of Schedule 3, shall apply in respect of the territory of the former Republic of Transkei, from the date contemplated in section 3(2) of this Act.

Repeal of Act 15 of 1984 (Transkei)

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Forestry Council Act, 1984 (Act No. 15 of 1984) (Transkei), is hereby repealed.

(2) Subsection (1) shall commence on a date determined by the President by proclamation in the Gazette.

(3) (a) The Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry shall appoint a committee consisting of three officers of the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry, one of whom shall be designated by the Minister as chairperson of the committee, to furnish him or her with a report on the winding up of the affairs of the Transkei Forestry Council.

(b) After consideration of the report of the committee, contemplated in paragraph (a), the Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry may make such order with regard to the assets and liabilities of the Transkei Forestry Council as he or she, with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance, and after consultations with the Forestry Council referred to in section 47 of the Forest Act, 1984 (Act No. 122 of 1984), deems fit.

(4) (a) The Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry may for the efficient carrying out of the Forestry Council Act, 1984 (Act No. 15 of 1984) (Transkei), prior to the date contemplated in subsection (2), by notice in the Gazette, amend or adapt the said Act to regulate its application or interpretation and to reconstitute the Transkei Forestry Council.

(b) The Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry may at any time amend or withdraw a notice referred to in paragraph (a) by like notice in the Gazette.

Amendment of section 1 of Act 23 of 1960

4. Section 1 of the Wattle Bark Industry Act, 1960, is hereby amended—

(a) by the substitution for the definition of "director-general" of the following definition:

"'director-general' means the Director-General: Environment Affairs Water Affairs and Forestry;"; and

(b) by the substitution for the definition of "Minister" of the following definition:

" 'Minister' means the Minister of Environment Affairs and..."
Amendment of section 1 of Act 122 of 1984

5. Section 1 of the Forest Act, 1984, is hereby amended-

(a) by the substitution for the definition of "department" of the following definition:

" 'department' means the Department of Environment Affairs Water Affairs and Forestry;";

(b) by the substitution for the definition of "director-general" of the following definition:

" 'director-general' means the Director-General: Environment Affairs Water Affairs and Forestry;"; and

(c) by the substitution for the definition of "Minister" of the following definition:

" 'Minister' means the Minister of Environment Affairs and Fisheries Water Affairs and Forestry;".

Amendment of section 2 of Act 122 of 1984

6. Section 2 of the Forest Act, 1984, is hereby amended by the deletion of subsection (1).

Repeal of section 87A of Act 122 of 1984

7. Section 87A of the Forest Act, 1984, is hereby repealed.

Amendment of section 1 of Act 128 of 1992

8. Section 1 of the Management of State Forests Act, 1992, is hereby amended by the substitution for the definition of "Minister" of the following definition: " 'Minister' means the Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry except in section 5, where it means the Minister as referred to in section 1 of the Public Service Act, 1984 (Act No. 111 of 1984) functionary as referred to in the definition of 'executing authority' in section 1 of the Public Service Act, 1994."

Short title

9. This Act shall be called the Forestry Laws Rationalisation and Amendment Act, 1994.

SCHEDULE 1
LAWS REPEALED BY SECTION 1(1)

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(b) Act No. 59 of 1974 Wattle Bark Industry Amendment Act, 1974 The whole The former self-governing territories of Lebowa Gazankulu, Qwaqwa, KwaZulu, KwaNdebele and KaNgwane

(c) Proclamation No. 191 of 1967 Trust Forest Regulations, 1967 Regulation 6 and regulations 9 to 26, to the extent indicated by item 1 of Schedule 2 The former Republic of Bophuthatswana and the former self-governing territories of Gazankulu, Qwaqwa and KwaNdebele

(d) Act No. 37 of 1971 Forest Amendment Act, 1971 The whole The former self-governing territories of Qwaqwa and KwaNdebele

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SCHEDULE 2

EXTENT OF REPEAL OF CERTAIN LAWS

   Regulations 9 to 26 inclusive, only in so far as they relate to land set aside as a reserved forest or plantation under Regulation 6.

2. Transkei Forest Act, 1969
   Except-
   (a) section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land which is not a Government forest;
   (b) section 7 in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in this section on land which is not a Government forest;
   (c) section 8;
   (d) section 23 read with section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land which is not a Government forest;
   (e) section 24 read with section 7(4) in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in section 7(4) on land which is not a Government forest; and
   (f) section 26.

3. Transkeian Nature Conservation Act, 1971
   Section 38 only in so far as it amends the Transkei Forest Act, 1969, in Part 2 of Schedule 16.

4. Ciskeian Forestry Act, 1976
   Except-
   (a) section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land which is not a Government forest;
   (b) section 7 in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in this section on land which is not a Government forest;
   (c) section 8;
   (d) section 24 read with section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land which is not a Government forest, and
   (e) section 25 read with section 7(5) in so far as it relates to trees
contemplated in section 7(5) on land which is not a Government forest.

5. Lebowa Forestry Act, 1978

Except-

(a) section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land which is not a Government forest;

(b) section 7 in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in this section on land which is not a Government forest;

(c) section 8;

(d) section 24 read with section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land which is not a Government forest, and

(e) section 25 read with section 7(5) in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in section 7(5) on land which is not a Government forest.


Except-

(a) section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land other than a Government forest;

(b) section 7 in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in this section on land other than a Government forest;

(c) section 8;

(d) section 26 read with section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land other than a Government forest; and

(e) section 27 read with section 7 in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in section 7 on land other than a Government forest.

7. Forest Act, 1981 (Venda)

Except-

(a) section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land which is not a Government forest;

(b) section 7 in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in this section on land which is not a Government forest;

(c) section 8;

(d) section 24 read with section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land which is not a Government forest; and

(e) section 25 read with section 7(5) in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in section 7(5) on land which is not a Government forest.

Except-

(a) section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land other than a Government forest;

(b) section 7- in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in this section on land other than a Government forest;

(c) section 8;

(d) section 26 read with section 2(1)(1) in so far as it relates to the protection of trees on land other than a Government forest; and

(e) section 27 read with section 7 in so far as it relates to trees contemplated in section 7 on land other than a Government forest.

SCHEDULE 3

EXTENSION OF THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN LAWS BY SECTION 2

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