

SALGA PARLIAMENTARY LIAISON OFFICE
PARLIAMENTARY BRIEFING UPDATE 38/ 2012 (27 JANUARY 2012)

REPORT OF PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITIES / COMMITTEE MEETINGS:			
DATE	NAME OF COMMITTEE & RELEVANT AGENDA ITEMS	SUMMARY OF DELIBERATIONS	PROPOSED ACTION FOR SALGA
24 JAN	<p>NCOP AD HOC COMMITTEE ON STATE INFORMATION BILL [Briefing by the Department of State Security on the Protection of State Information Bill [B6B-2010]</p>	<p>The Minister of State Security together with the Acting DG of the Department of State Security briefed the committee on the Protection of State Information Bill. The Bill has no direct impact on local government.</p> <p>The committee will be conducting public hearings on the Bill in at least two regions per province. The NCOP has requested Provincial Legislatures to assist in mobilising the communities and inform them about the Bill and the planned public hearings. The hearings are scheduled as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 01 January: Western Cape – Cape Town Metro and Eden District 2. 02 February: Eastern Cape – NMBM; OR Tambo District; and Qadi District 3. 07 February: Free State – Thabo Mofutsanyane District and Mangaung Metro 4. 14 February: Gauteng – Tswane Metro and Sedibeng District 5. 16 February: KZN – Zululand District; Ugu District; and Ethekwini Metro 6. 21 February: North-West – Bojanala and Kenneth Kaunda Districts 7. 23 February: Mpumalanga – Ehlanzeni and Gert Sibande Districts 8. 28 February: Limpopo – Mopane; Waterberg and Capricorn Districts 	

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		<p>9. 01 March: Northern Cape – Francis Baard and John Taolo Gaetsewei District</p> <p>There would be hearings in parliament on 13-14 March. The committee will deliberate on the outcomes of the public hearings on 15-16 March, and then table the report on the Bill to the House on 20 March for consideration.</p>	
25 JAN	<p>PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS (Consideration of Rental Housing Amendment Bill [B21-2011])</p>	<p>The committee invited the Department of Human Settlements and the Office of the State Law Advisor to this meeting. The meeting focused on the amendments proposed by the committee, and these were read word-by-word.</p> <p>The committee has made substantive amendments to the Bill and this necessitates redrafting of the Bill. The committee will apply to the National Assembly for redrafting of the Bill, and according to the Rules of Parliament this Bill will no longer be in the hands of the Department, it will become a Bill of Parliament.</p> <p>The committee will conduct public hearings on the redrafted Bill and the Department will be welcome to be part of the process.</p>	

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (NA) RELEVANT COMMITTEE MEETINGS (JANUARY 2012)

THIRD SESSION

TUESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2012	WEDNESDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2012	THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2012	FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2012
<p>PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, (National Assembly), [Department of Water Affairs Progress Report on the government steps to be taken to deal with Acid Mine Drainage in the Wits area; Briefing by the National Planning Commission on all issues relating to the pursuance of a low carbon economy dealt with in the Draft Strategy of Low Carbon Economy and all other matters relating to Climate Change and water and environment], Old Assembly Chamber, Ground Floor, Old Assembly Building, 09:30 – 17:00</p>	<p>PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, (National Assembly), [Ministerial/Departmental Assessment/ Analysis of COP17 presented by the Director-General and team; Briefing by the Director-General on progress with Business Review Processes (BPR)], Committee Room M46, Ground Floor, Marks Building, 09:30 – 17:00</p> <p>PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND COOPERATION, (National Assembly), [Briefing by the Department on the way forward as the presidency on the outcome of COP 17], Committee Room V475, Fourth Floor, Old Assembly Building, 09:30 – 12:45</p> <p>PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, (National Assembly), [Follow-up presentation by Nelson Mandela Metro on Urban Settlements Development Grant; Consideration and Adoption of Committee Reports and Minutes], Committee Room 3, Upper Ground Floor, 90 Plein Street Building, 09:30 – 12:45</p>		<p>PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, (National Assembly), [Briefing by the Director-General on progress with Business Review Processes], Venue to be confirmed, 09:30 – 13:00</p>

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (NA) RELEVANT COMMITTEE MEETINGS (JANUARY 2012)

THIRD SESSION

TUESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2012

WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2012

THURSDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2012

FRIDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2012

	<p>PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, (National Assembly), [Public Hearings on National Waste Management Strategy published in November 2011 (Commence with briefing by Department)], Committee Room V475, Fourth Floor, Old Assembly Building, 09:30 – 13:00</p>		
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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES (NCOP) RELEVANT COMMITTEE MEETINGS (JANUARY 2012)

THIRD SESSION

TUESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2012

WEDNESDAY, 8 FEBRUARY 2012

THURSDAY, 9 FEBRUARY 2012

FRIDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2012

<p>SELECT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES, (National Council of Provinces), [Briefing by Department of Transport on their Annual Report 2010/11], Committee Room 1, Upper Ground Floor, 90 Plein Street, 10:00 – 13:00</p>			
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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES (NCOP) RELEVANT COMMITTEE MEETINGS (JANUARY 2012)

THIRD SESSION

SELECT COMMITTEE ON LAND AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, (National Council of Provinces), [Briefing by the Department of Water Affairs on the Implementation and Progress of the Water Management Catchment Agencies in South Africa; Consideration and Adoption of Committee Minutes], Committee Room V227, Second Floor, Old Assembly Building, 10:30 – 13:00

TUESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2012

WEDNESDAY, 15 FEBRUARY 2012

THURSDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2012

FRIDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2012

SELECT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES, (National Council of Provinces), [Briefing by Department of Transport on their Strategic Plan 2012], Committee Room 1, Upper Ground Floor, 90 Plein Street, 10:00 – 13:00

SELECT COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, (National Council of Provinces), [Public Hearings on Social Sector Expanded Public Works Programme Incentive Grant for Provinces (Public Works and various other departments)], Committee Room V475, Fourth Floor, Old Assembly Building, 09:00 – 12:30

JOINT SITTINGS AND OTHER ENGAGEMENTS

TYPE	DATE	CONTENT	SUGGESTED SALGA INTERVENTION
PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME FRAMEWORK FOR 2012	1 st term: 16 Jan – 23 Mar 2 nd term: 9 Apr – 22 June 3 rd term: 23 July – 21 Sep 4 th term: 8 Oct – 7 Dec		
JOINT SITTING	09 February 2012	State of the Nation Address	SALGA should attend
EASTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE	17 February 6 March	State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA Eastern Cape should participate
FREE STATE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE	16 February 1 March (provisional)	State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA Free State should participate
GAUTENG PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE	20 February 6 March	State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA Gauteng should participate
KWAZULU NATAL PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE	14 February 15 February 1 March	King Zwelithini 's Address State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA KZN should participate
LIMPOPO PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE	16 February 29 February (provisional)	State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA Limpopo should participate
MPUMALANGA PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE	24 February 15 March	State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA Mpumalanga should participate

JOINT SITTINGS AND OTHER ENGAGEMENTS

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NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE	17 February 7 March	State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA Northern Cape should participate
NORTH-WEST PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE	17 February 6 March	State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA North-West should participate
WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT	17 February 1 March	State of the Province Address Provincial Budget Speech	SALGA Western Cape should participate
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY PLENARY	22 February 2012	Budget Speech	SALGA should attend

MOST RELEVANT POLICY / LEGISLATION

NAME OF BILL / REGULATIONS	STATUS	SALGA INTERVENTION
Rental Housing Amendment Bill [B 21 – 2011]	Before the Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements. The Committee to apply for redrafting of the Bill.	

APPROVED LOCAL TRIPS

COMMITTEE	DATE	DESTINATION	PURPOSE

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