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### AMENDMENTS TO THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION BILL

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### THAT:

- 1. In the Bill, in the arrangement of Act -
- (a) substitute the heading to Part 2 for the following heading:

### "PART 2

## INFORMATION COMMISSIONER AND DEPUTY INFORMATION COMMISSIONER[S]";

- (b) substitute the heading to clause 5 for the following heading:
  - "5. Appointment of Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s]";
- (c) substitute the heading to clause 7 for the following heading:
  - "7. Qualification for appointment as Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s]";
- (d) substitute the heading to clause 8 for the following heading:
  - "8. Disqualification for appointment as Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s]";
- (e) substitute the heading to clause 12 for the following heading:
  - "12. Term of office of Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s]";

- (f) substitute the heading to clause 14 for the following heading:
  - "14. Removal of Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s] from office";
- (g) substitute the heading to Part 8 for the following heading:

# "PART 8 NOTICES, INVESTIGATIONS[,] AND HEARINGS";

- (h) substitute the heading to clause 50 for the following heading:
  - "50. Deemed refusal of application[s] for internal review"; and
- (i) substitute the heading to clause 80 for the following heading:
  - "80. Authority on limitation of fundamental rights and freedoms".

In clause 1, substitute the following definition for the definition of "disability":

"disability" means disability as defined section 1 of the National Disability Council Act, 2004(Act No. 26 of 2004);".

In clause 6, substitute paragraph (b) of subclause (1) for the following paragraph:

"(b) selecting and nominating persons for appointment as members of a committee under section 14(3).".

#### In the Bill -

- (a) substitute the heading to clause 5 for the following heading:
  - "Appointment of Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s]";
- (b) substitute the heading to clause 7 for the following heading:
  - "Qualification[s] for appointment of Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s]";
- (c) substitute the heading to clause 8 for the following heading:
  - "Disqualification for appointment [of] as Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s]";
- (c) substitute the heading to clause 12 for the following heading:
  - "Term of office of Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s]"; and
- (c) substitute the heading to clause 14 for the following heading:
  - "Removal of Information Commissioner and Deputy Information Commissioner[s] from office".

In clause 25, substitute paragraph (c) of subclause (3) for the following paragraph:

"(c) the plain language guide developed by the Information Commissioner under section 9(2)(g);".

In the Bill, substitute the heading to clause 72 for the following heading:

"Legally[-]privileged documents".