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NOTICE

The following Bill to be submitted to the National Assembly is published for general information to the public together with a statement of its objects and reasons.

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Chief Secretary

THE TOURISM ACT, 2007

A BILL

for

An Act provide for institutional framework, administration, regulation, registration and licensing of tourism facilities and activities for related matters

OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Bill is intended to repeal the Hotels Act, Cap.105 and the Tourist Agents (Licensing). Act, Cap.65 so as to make better provisions for the regulation and promotion of tourism facilities and activities in Mainland Tanzania. The Bill will strengthen and improve the regulation of tourism facilities and activities for both domestic and international tourists.

The Bill is divided into eight major parts.

Part I of the Bill deals with Preliminary Matters which include short title and commencement of the Act. It also provide for the interpretation of certain important terms and words used in the Act, promotion of National Tourism Policy and global Code of Ethics for Tourism by various persons exercising powers or dealing with tourism activities under the Act. .

Part II provides for the establishment of the Technical Advisory Committee, its functions and composition. It also makes provisions for the appointment of the Tourism Director, functions of the Division and the tourism officers. The Part also provides for other administrative arrangements.

Matters relating to designation, registration and grading of various tourism facilities and activities are provided for under Part III of the Bill.

Part IV of the Bill deals with licensing of tourism facilities and activities. This Part establish a Board and an Appeal Authority which will deal with issuance of licences and appeals lodged thereto, respectively; and it lays out the process of application, granting and cancellation of tourism licences. It also provides for the right and obligation of tourism facilities and activities' owners and tourists.

Part V makes provisions for tourism business and tour operators. It provides for their licensing, rights and conditions of their operations. Establishment of "register and publication of a list of tourism operators are also specified therein.

Provisions relating to registration and other conditions relating to tour guides are provided under Part VI.

Part VII makes proposals for various offences and penalties to be provided in the Act.

Part VIII of the Bill contains miscellaneous provisions pertaining to appeals on matters relating to registration, regulations, training and information, arrangement for residents and local communities surrounding tourism attractions and protection of traditions cultures during photographic safaris. It also repeals the Hotels Act, Cap. 105 and the Tourism Agents (Licensing) Act, Cap.65.