COMMITTEE REPORTS

National Assembly and National Council of Provinces

1. LEGACY REPORT

OF THE

CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FOR THE 4th PARLIAMENT

2009-2014

Report of the Constitutional Review Committee on its activities undertaken during the 4th Parliament (May 2009 – March 2014)

Key highlights

Reflection on committee programme per year

2009

The Committee commenced its work by isolating matters that were outstanding from the third Parliament's programme.

The committee held a workshop on its strategic plan / framework for 2009-2014.

The committee received and processed 13 submissions from the members of the public and interest groups.

The committee met Deaf Federation of South Africa (DEAFSA), Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic Communities (CRL) and the Pan South African Language Board (Pansalb) on the outstanding submissions from the previous committee

The committee was able to locate its mandate within the context of a proactive Parliament and to meet its mandatory submissions process in line with Section 45(1) (c) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and Part 7 (Rules 97 to 102) of the Joint Rules of Parliament

2010

The committee conducted public hearings in Limpopo province, where Sepedi and Sesotho sa Leboa is spoken on 1-3rd February 2010 as well as on the 6-8th April 2010, with academics, traditional leaders and the general members of the public on this issue. In addition, the committee consulted those who were closely involved with the process of drafting the constitution so as to get the gist of what transpired during the constitution negotiating process, as well engaged in a process of obtaining relevant documentation, which includes minutes of the Technical Committee on Language Rights, reports and other relevant material in that regard.

As a sequel to the public hearings in Limpopo, the committee met with academics and traditional leaders in Cape Town to deliberate more on the issue. The speakers of the language are evenly divided between those who want to call it Sepedi and those who call it Sesotho sa Leboa.

The JCRC is currently deliberating on this outstanding submission and realises the dynamics that this complex situation presents. The Committee has called all parties represented in Parliament to inform it of their respective positions on this matter.

The Committee received and considered eight submissions from members of the public and interest groups.

In a view to reposition its workings and look beyond the mandatory process of public submissions process, the Committee undertook a study tour to Venice and Strasbourg in order and to learn from the international best practices.

2011

The committee continued with the debate on the issue of Sepedi and Sesotho sa Leboa committee with the academics and representatives from the Limpopo Provincial House of Traditional Leaders. The records on the constitutional assembly committees were solicited but nothing could be traced in this regard.

The Committee received and considered nine submissions from members of the public and interest groups. These included profound issues such as proposals around the following:

- In section 25, which is alleged to be restricting government from distributing the land
- In sections 211 and 212 of the Constitution, in which submitters propose a review on sections 211 and 212 so as to elaborate on the role and powers of traditional leaders.
- In section 86 of the Constitution, in which submitters call for the scrapping of the provision.

2012

The committee had always grappled with the fact that , while it had the mandate to review the Constitution, Bills which sought to amend the Constitution were never brought to the CRC, but were dealt with by the Portfolio Committee on Justice and Constitutional Development. A workshop with experts from the universities of Cape Town and University of South Africa (UNISA) was held so as consider the mandate of the Committee and to solicit the views of the experts on what they believe to be the actual mandate of the Committee (Report published in ATC, No.82-2013).

The committee dealt with a submission by the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender and Intersex as referred to by the Speaker (see Minutes of 7 September 2012). In addition, the committee issued a press statement in which it placed on record that it had at no stage agreed to a proposal to weaken or amend rights relating to sexual orientation contained in the Constitution. Equally, the committee reiterated that it upholds the provisions of our constitutional democracy. Furthermore, section 9 of the Bill of Rights, which expunge on equality in terms of sexual orientation will not be inferred with.

In addition, the committee received 19 submissions from members of the public and interest groups. Out of those, only nine submissions had been finalised. These are submissions that do not require a review of the Constitution.

2013

The committee had during this year received eight submissions from members of the public and interest groups. These were referred to the office of the Parliamentary Legal Advisers but are not yet finalised.

2. Committee's focus areas during the 4th Parliament

2.1 Finalisation of outstanding submissions

Submission by the Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic Communities (CLR) and the Pan South African Language Board (Pansalb) on the alleged Erroneous designation of Sepedi as one of the official languages

The committee conducted public hearings in Limpopo province on 1-3rd February 2010 as well as on the 6-8th April 2010, with academics, traditional leaders and the general members of the public on this issue. In addition, the committee consulted those who were closely involved with the process of drafting the constitution so as to get the gist of what transpired during the constitution negotiating process, as well engaged in a process of obtaining relevant documentation, which includes minutes of the Technical Committee on Language Rights,

reports and other relevant material in that regard. The Committee is currently deliberating on this outstanding submission and appreciates the dynamics that this complex situation presents. Requests were made to those closely involved with the process to either come and brief the committee or make written submissions. A few submissions in that regard have been received, and the necessary follow-ups were made to expedite the matter.

Submission by Deaf Federation of South Africa (DEAFSA)

This submission has been outstanding since 2007. The submitters were requesting the previous committee to assist in the institution of the sign language as a twelfth official language. The committee met with DEAFSA on 13 November 2009 to discuss its submission. The committee decided, among other things, that it would need to get the report of the Task Team, consisting of the Presidency and the Ministries of Arts and Culture, as well as the then Ministry of Education, that would be convened to look at the matter. The Committee approached the office of the Minister in the Presidency, Mr Essop Pahad to solicit such a report. After several attempts to obtain the report from the aforementioned office, no one could recall there being such a report.

2.2 Adoption of a strategic framework/plan for 2009-2014

The committee conducted a workshop on the draft strategic plan, which was adopted on 9 October 2009.

3. Key areas for future work

- To follow up on the proposal that was submitted to the Joint Rules Committee around the review of the joint rules in order to allow for the facilitation of the execution of the mandate of the committee.
- Effective follow up on outstanding submissions since the third and fourth Parliaments.
- Review of the strategic framework/ plan 2009-2014.

4. Key challenges emerging

- The lack of quorum on Fridays especially when decisions are to be made remains a challenge.
- The time slot allocated contributes to poor attendance due to some members having to rush for connecting flights back to their constituencies.
- The programmes of both Houses often impacts negatively on the committee programme. Since members of the committee are drawn from the two Houses, decisions cannot be taken in the absence of members of the other House.
- Finalisation of deliberations and adoption of the report on deliberated 2012 submissions

- Deliberations on 2013 submissions
- Report on the 2013 submissions
- Review of the strategic framework/plan (2009-2014).
- Possible lack of clear cooperation with other committees on matters of common interest.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 There is a need for Parliament to attend to the attendance of members to committees in order to improve the schedule of meetings.
- 5.2 The issue of appointing alternate members for each party represented in the committee should be looked at.
- 5.3 There is a need to develop an effective follow-up mechanism on outstanding submissions for the last five years.
- 5.4 There is a need to develop formal/informal mechanisms to improve collaboration with other committees on matters of common interest.

1. Introduction

1.1 Department/s and Entities falling within the committee's portfolio

In light of its mandate, the committee does not oversee any government department.

1.2 Functions of committee:

The CRC is mandated to review the Constitution annually.

1.3 Method of work of the committee

The CRC calls for public submissions as a method by which to identify constitutional matters/provisions that may require constitutional amendment.

1.4 Purpose of the report

The purpose of this report is to provide an account of the Constitutional Review Committee's work during the 4th Parliament and to inform the members of the new Parliament of key outstanding issues pertaining to the programme of the committee.

This report provides an overview of the activities the committee undertook during the 4th Parliament, the outcome of key activities, as well as any challenges that emerged during the period under

review and issues that should be considered for follow up during the 5th Parliament. It summarises the key issues for follow-up and concludes with recommendations to strengthen operational and procedural processes to enhance the committee's roles in future.

2. Key statistics

The table below provides an overview of the number of meetings held, legislation and international agreements processed and the number of oversight trips and study tours undertaken by the committee, as well as any statutory appointments the committee made, during the 4th Parliament:

Activity	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	Total
Meetings held	7	11	11	10	5	
Legislation						
processed: None						
because the						
committee is not						
mandated to						
process any						
legislation						
Oversight trips		1				
undertaken						
Study tours		1				
undertaken						
International						
agreements						
processed: None						
because the						
committee is not						
mandated to						
process any						
international						
agreement						
Statutory						
appointments						
made: None						
because the						
committee does						
not oversee any						
statutory body						
Interventions						
considered: None						
because the						
committee does						
not have a						
mandate that						
would enable it						
to consider						
interventions						

Activity	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	Total
Petitions						
considered: None						
because the						
committee is not						
mandated to						
deal with						
petitions.						

Stakeholders: The committee has no specific stakeholders, except for members of the public who make submissions on an annual basis.

3. Briefings and/or public hearings

3.1 NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD: 40 (incl.2013)

DATE	AGENDA
2009: 7 Meetings	
02 July 2009	Election of the co-chairpersons.
08 July 2009	Re-election of the co-chairperson from the NCOP.
	Consideration of the committee programme.
28 August 2009	Consideration of the committee programme.
	Adoption of minutes of 2 and 8 July 2009.
	Deliberations on the five-year plan.
	Consideration of outstanding submissions.
18 September 2009	Consideration of the 2009-2014 strategic plan
	Briefing by Parliamentary Legal Advisers on legal opinion
	on 2009 submissions
9 October 2009	Adoption of Committee's 2009-2014 strategic plan.
	Adoption of minutes of 28 Aug and 18 Sept 2009.
	Continuation of a briefing by Parliamentary Legal Advisers
	on legal opinion on 2009 submissions.
30 October 2009	Discussion on the proposed study tour to the Venice
	Commission in Venice and Strasbourg.
13 November 2009	Presentation by Pansalb, Commission for Promotion &
	Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious & Linguistic
	Communities and Deaf South Africa on the submissions
	made around the alleged erroneous declaration of Sepedi
	as an official language and the declaration of the sign
	language as the 12 th official language respectively.
2010: 10 Meetings	
26 Feb 2010	Deliberations on the 2009 public submissions.
	Adoption of minutes.
17 March 2010	Adoption of minutes of 9 &30 October and 13 November
	2009.

21 April 2010	Consideration of Minutes of 17 March 2010. Deliberations on the 2009 public submissions. Adoption of the synopsis report on the public hearings that were conducted in Limpopo 6-8 April 2010.
19 May 2010	Continuation of deliberations on the 2009 public submissions.
21 July 2010	Deliberations and adoption of the Third Term Programme. Meeting on progress on the planned study tour to the Venice Commission in Venice and Strasbourg.
23 July 2010	Meeting with representatives from the National House of Traditional Leaders and the Mpumalanga House of Traditional Leaders.
13 August 2010	Adoption of minutes of 19, May, 21 & 23 July 2010. Discussion on the correspondence from the Legal Resources Centre and UCT Law, Race and Gender Unit on the submissions by National House of Traditional Leaders and the Mpumalanga House of Traditional Leaders. Deliberations on the draft report on the 2009 public submissions. Discussion on the suggested research to be commissioned on the issue of Sepedi vs SeSotho sa Leboa dispute.
27 August 2010	Presentation on legal opinion by the Parliamentary Legal Advisers on the 2010 public submissions. Adoption of the draft report on 2009 public submissions.
17 September 2010	Discussion on the logistical arrangements on the study tour to Venice and Strasbourg.
11 October 2010	Preparatory meeting for the study tour to Venice and Strasbourg.
12 November 2010	Consideration of 2010 public submissions, committee draft programme for 1 st and 2 nd term 2010, draft report on the study tour to Venice and Strasbourg.
2011: 8 Meetings	
18 February 2011	Adoption of the 1 st and 2 nd term programme Deliberations on the draft report on the 2010 public submissions Deliberations on the draft report on the study tour
04 March 2011	Meeting with academics/linguists from the Universities of South Africa, Limpopo, Johannesburg and Pretoria, as well as traditional leaders Limpopo Provincial House of Traditional Leaders on the issue of Sepedi VS Sesotho sa Leboa
18 March 2011	Adoption of the outstanding minutes. Adoption of the report on the 2010 public submissions. Deliberations on the draft report on the study tour to Venice and Strasbourg.
03 June 2011	Adoption of the report on the study tour to Venice and Strasbourg.

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	Adoption of the committee's 2010 annual report.
	Adoption of minutes of 12 November 2010 and 18 March
	2011.
19 August 2011	Briefing by the Parliamentary Legal Services on the 2011
	public submissions.
2 September 2011	Consideration of the 2011 public submissions.
07 September 2011	Deliberations on the 2011 public submissions.
21 October 2011	Adoption of minutes.
	Consideration of the letter from Dr Ambrosini.
	Deliberations on the draft report on 2011 public
	submissions.
2012: 11 Meetings	
24 February 2012	Consideration of outstanding minutes.
	Deliberations on the draft report on the 2011 public
	submissions.
	Discussion on the proposed date for a workshop on the
	committee's mandate.
	Adoption of the 2012 committee programme.
06 March 2012	Hosting of the Swedish delegation of the Committee on
	Constitution.
13 March 2012	Adoption of outstanding minutes.
	Deliberations on the report on the 2011 public
	submissions.
	Finalisation of the dates for the workshop.
26 April 2012	Consideration of minutes.
	Adoption of the report on the 2011 public submissions.
	Discussions on the proposed study tour to Kenya and
	Ghana.
30 May 2012	Hosting of the delegation from the Ad Hoc Committee for
	the Revisions of the Constitution in the National Assembly
	of Mozambique.
23 June 2012	Workshop with constitutional experts from the Universities
	of Cape Town (UCT) and South Africa (UNISA) to reflect
	on the mandate of the Committee.
27 July 2012	Hosting of the delegation from the Constitutional
	Implementation Oversight Committee of the Republic of
	Kenya.
7 September 2012	Adoption of minutes of 6 and 13 March, 26 April, 30 May
	and 27 July 2012.
19 October 2012	Briefing by the Parliamentary Legal Advisers on the
	2012 public submissions.
2 November 2012	Deliberations on the 2012 public submissions.
2013 4 Meetings	
15 February 2013	Adoption of minutes of 7 September, 19 October and 2
	November 2012.
	Deliberations on the 2012 public submissions and the
	draft report on the workshop on the committee's
	mandate.
19 March 2013	Consideration of minutes of 15 February 2013.
	Deliberations on the 2012 public submissions.

10 May 2013	Adoption of minutes of 15 February and 19 March 2013.
	Adoption of the report on the workshop on the
	committee's mandate (ATC No. 82-2013)
	Deliberations on the 2012 public submissions.
14 June 2013	Adoption of minutes of 10 May 2013.
	Adoption of the document on the proposed
	amendments to the Joint Rules in order to expand the
	mandate of the committee.
2014	

27 February 201	Adoption of the 2009-2014 legacy report

Public Hearings: 2010

Date	Place visited	Objective
1-3 rd February	Limpopo	To get the views of the stakeholders/
2010	Province	communities that were directly affected by
		the alleged incorrect designation of Sepedi in
		the Final Constitution.
6-8 th April	Limpopo	To get the views of the stakeholders/
2010	Province	communities that were directly affected by
		the alleged incorrect designation of Sepedi in
		the Final Constitution.

3.2 NUMBER OF SUBMISSIONS SUBMITTED PER YEAR

Year	Number of submissions received	Number of submissions finalised	Submissions not finalised due to further deliberations
2009	15	9	Submission that proposes amendments to section 25 of the Constitution (Property Clause). The submitters believe the provision, as it stands, restricts government from distributing the land. Submission that proposes amendments to Chapter 12 of the Constitution. The submitters propose a review of sections 211 and 212 so as to elaborate the role and powers of traditional leaders. Submission that proposes an amendment to section 47(1)(e) of the Constitution, so that any member of Parliament who is convicted of corruption, fraud or similar offence

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			involving dishonesty be ineligible to serve as a member of parliament.
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			The Committee is soliciting guidance
			from political parties represented in the
			committee to inform it of their
			respective positions on these matters.
2010	8	7	Submission that proposes
			amendments to section 25 of the
			Constitution. The submitters call for the
			review of the policy relating to the
			expropriation of land.
			The Committee is soliciting guidance
			from political parties represented in the
			committee to inform it of their
			respective positions on this matter.
2011	9	6	Submission that proposes
			amendments to section 25 of the
			Constitution. The submitter calls for a
			review of the provision.
			Submission that proposes
			amendments to Chapter 12 of the
			Constitution. The submitters propose a
			review of sections 211 and 212 so as
			to elaborate the role and powers of
			traditional leaders.
			Submission that proposes an
			amendment to section 86 of the
			Constitution, which deals with the
			election of the President. The
			submitters call for the scrapping of the
			provision.
			The Committee is soliciting guidance
			from political parties represented in the
			committee to inform it of their
			respective positions on these matters.
2012	19	9	The Committee has finalised
			submissions that do not warrant
			amendment to the Constitution.
			However, deliberations are ongoing on
			the 10 submissions that propose
			amendments the Constitution.
2013	8	The	Submissions were referred to the
		committee	Parliamentary Legal Services for a
		has not	legal opinion.
		deliberated on	
		these	
		submissions	
		yet	

4. Legislation

The committee does not process any legislation, as per its mandate.

5. Oversight trips undertaken.

There were no oversight trips undertaken during the period under review.

6. Study tours undertaken

Date	Places	Objective	Lessons Learned	Status of
	Visited			Report
15-22 October 2010	Venice Commission in Venice and Strasbourg	To reposition the workings of the CRC in order to look beyond the mandatory process of public submissions process, and to learn from the	The constructive engagement with the Venice Commission, the Council of Europe and the European Parliament created opportunities for further engagements and provided a fertile	Report Adopted on 3 June 2011 (published in ATC No. 67- 2011)
		international best practices in that regard	ground for effective and efficient functioning of the committee.	

4. International Agreements:

The abovementioned does not fall within the mandate of the committee.

5. Statutory appointments

The abovementioned does not fall within the mandate of the committee.

6. Interventions

The abovementioned does not fall within the mandate of the committee:

7. Petitions

The committee does not deal with petitions as there is a committee that is mandated to consider such matters.

8. Obligations conferred on committee by legislation

The committee does not deal with legislation.

9 Summary of outstanding issues relating to the department/entities that the committee has been grappling with

The committee, in terms of its mandate, does not oversee any government department.

10. Recommendations

- 10.1 Parliament should expedite the processing of the proposal submitted by the committee to the Joint Rules Committee around the review of the joint rules to allow for the facilitation of the execution of the mandate.
- 10.2 There is a need for Parliament to attend to the attendance of members to committees in order to improve the schedule of meetings.
- 10.3 The committee should build strategic relations with other committees so as to maximise capacity and improve oversight. For example, the committee may have to consider policies and papers (white and/or green) pertinent to annual constitutional reforms.

11. Committee strategic plan

The committee's 2009-2014 strategic plan was adopted on 9 October 2009.

2. Report of the Interim Joint Committee on Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation on its activities undertaken during the 4th Parliament (September 2011 – March 2014)

Key highlights

1. Reflection on committee programme per year and on whether the objectives of such programmes were achieved

Parliamentary scrutiny of delegated legislation forms a critical element in any modern system of constitutional democracy and has the potential to enhance constitutional values and principles, improve the quality of Acts of Parliament and save legal costs or court time in the future by anticipating challenges to the constitutional validity of such legislation. It is against this backdrop that the Interim Joint Committee on Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation (Joint Scrutiny Committee) was established. The National Assembly approved the establishment of the Interim Joint Committee on Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation on 22 June 2011 and by the National Council of Provinces on 20 September 2011. Given the legal and procedural technicalities of the functions of the Committee and that the committee is still "finding its functional feet", no set programme exists.

2. Committee's focus areas during the 4th Parliament

The work of the Joint Committee is focused on the scrutiny of the following:

- (a) delegated legislation
- (b) delegated provisions in bills before their formal consideration by the House
- (c) any other delegated legislation agreed upon by the Joint Committee.

3. Key areas for future work

The Joint Committee will continue its work in respect of the above mentioned focus areas and exercise its functions in accordance with the criteria identified in terms of the Rules of Parliament.

4. Key challenges emerging

- The Joint Committee has experienced challenges since its inception. These would include the following:
 - (a) Membership of this committee is such that it is not always possible to meet as planned due to the sometimes clashing meeting programmes that members experience. Therefore, the finalisation of referrals to the Joint Committee will depend on the program of Parliament and the availability of its members.

- (b) Consideration should be had to the constitutional mandate of the Joint Committee in respect of delegated legislation. The Joint Committee is of the view that a Discussion Document would have to be drafted to assist all portfolio and select committees when dealing with bills containing delegated provisioning.
- (c) Further, taking the constitutional imperatives of public participation into consideration, the Joint Committee would have to determine its role in ensuring that delegated legislation are accessible to the public. Currently, regulations are published in the Government Gazette, which is made accessible to the public. The Joint Committee would need to consider further methods to determine how to make delegated legislation available to the public in order to ensure compliance with its constitutional mandate of public participation.

5. Recommendations

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1. Introduction

1.1 Department/s and Entities falling within the committee's portfolio

None

1.2 Functions of committee:

The Interim Joint Committee shall -

- exercise its powers and functions in accordance with the Rules applicable to joint committees generally, unless otherwise provided for in these interim Rules; and
- (2) in accordance with the criteria identified in these interim Rules, scrutinise
 - (a) delegated legislation
 - i. requiring approval by Parliament for it to enter into force:
 - ii. which Parliament may disapprove, thus invalidating it; and
 - iii. that requires consultation with Parliament.
 - (b) delegating provisions in bills before their formal consideration by the House; and
 - (c) any other delegated legislation agreed upon by the Committee

1.3 Method of work of the committee

The Joint Committee uses scrutiny criteria when dealing with its work as mandated by a resolution of the Houses of Parliament.

- (1) Delegated legislation shall be scrutinised by the Committee in accordance with some of the following criteria:
 - a. Whether they impose levies, taxes or duties not authorised through a money bill passed in accordance with section 77 of the Constitution;
 - b. whether they comply with procedural aspects pertaining to delegated legislation;
 - c. whether they impinge on the jurisdiction of the courts;
 - d. whether they are retrospective in nature and, if so, whether that is permitted in terms of the parent Act;
 - e. whether they conform with the objects of the parent Act;
 - f. whether they appear to make unusual use of powers conferred by the parent Act;
 - g. whether they have been properly drafted;
 - h. whether they trespass on personal rights and liberties, including those set out in the Bill of Rights, in a manner inconsistent with the Constitution; or
 - i. whether they amount to substantive legislation.
- (2) delegating provisions in bills shall be scrutinised by the Committee in accordance with some of the following criteria:
- (a) Whether they impose levies, taxes or duties not authorised through a money bill passed in accordance with section 77 of the Constitution:
- (b) whether they impinge on the jurisdiction of the courts; or
- (c) whether they have been properly drafted.

1.4 Purpose of the report

The purpose of this report is to provide an account of the Interim Joint Committee on Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation work during the 4th Parliament and to inform the members of the new Parliament of key outstanding issues pertaining its legislative programme.

This report provides an overview of the activities the committee undertook during the 4th Parliament, the outcome of key activities, as well as any challenges that emerged during the period under review and issues that should be considered for follow up during the 5th Parliament. It summarises the key issues for follow-up and concludes with recommendations to strengthen operational and procedural processes to enhance the committee's oversight and legislative roles in future.

2. Key statistics

The table below provides an overview of the number of meetings held, legislation and international agreements processed and the number of oversight trips and study tours undertaken by the committee, as well as any statutory appointments the committee made, during the 4th Parliament:

Activity	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	Total
Meetings held						
Legislation						
processed						
Oversight trips						
undertaken						
Study tours						
undertaken						
International						
agreements						
processed						
Statutory						
appointments						
made						
Interventions						
considered						
Petitions						
considered						

3. Stakeholders:

None

4. Briefings and/or public hearings

{Any critical issues that were focused on, challenges and/or issues arising from these that needs to be followed up}

5. Legislation

The following pieces of legislation were referred to the committee and processed during the 4th Parliament:

Year	Name of Legislation	Tagging	Objectives	Completed/Not Completed
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2009/10				
2010/11				
2011/12				
2012/13				
2013/14				

a) Challenges emerging

The following challenges emerged during the processing of legislation:

- Technical/operational challenges that may have delayed legislation and/or complicated the processing thereof
- Content-related challenges

b) Issues for follow-up

The 5th Parliament should consider following up on the following concerns that arose:

- Monitoring of new entities being established
- New mechanisms or corrections to challenges
- etc

6. Oversight trips undertaken

None

7. Study tours undertaken

None

8. International Agreements:

None

9. Statutory appointments

None

10. Interventions

None

11. Petitions

None

12. Obligations conferred on committee by legislation:

None

13. Summary of outstanding issues relating to the department/ entities that the committee has been grappling with

None

14. Recommendations

(Include possible recommendations to resolve operational and/or procedural concerns encountered during the $4^{\rm th}$ Parliament)

15. Committee strategic plan

None