

THE AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE OF ZAMBIA BILL, 2017

MEMORANDUM

The objects of this Bill are to—

- (a) establish the Agricultural Institute of Zambia;
- (b) provide for the registration of agricultural professionals and regulate their professional conduct in the interest of the agricultural sector; and
- (c) provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

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A BILL

ENTITLED

An Act to establish the Agricultural Institute of Zambia; provide for the registration of agricultural professionals and regulate their professional conduct in the interest of the agricultural sector; and provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

Enactment

PART I

PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

PART III

5 1. This Act may be cited as the Agricultural Institute of Zambia Act, 2017, and shall come into operation on the date determined by the Minister by statutory instrument.

Short title and commencement

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

Interpretation

10 “agricultural by-product” means a material arising from processing an agricultural product and is not meant for direct human consumption;

“agricultural facility” means an educational institution, research station, laboratory or a related facility providing services in a field of agriculture;

15 “agricultural product” means a material arising from the cultivation of plants and fungi for food, fibre, bio-fuel and medicinal plants and production of animals, and includes a product used to sustain and enhance human life;

20 “agricultural professional” means a scientist, technician or craftsperson in the science of agriculture, but excludes a veterinary professional or para-veterinary professional;

“agriculture” means the practice, science and application of scientific and technological principles in animal and plant production;

25 “allied discipline” means a discipline determined as such by the Council;

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- Act No. 27 of 2010 “animal ” has the meaning assigned to it in the Animal Health Act, 2010;
- Act No. 3 of 2012 “ associate ” has the meaning assigned to it in the Anti-Corruption Act, 2012;
- “ Board ” means the Agricultural Registration Board 5 established under section 13;
- “ certificate of registration ” means the certificate of registration issued under section 19;
- “ code of ethics ” means the code of professional conduct adopted and published by the Institute for the purposes of 10 this Act;
- “ constitution ” means the constitution of the Institute;
- “ Council ” means the Agricultural Council of the Institute constituted under section 8;
- “ Deputy Registrar ” means a person appointed as Deputy 15 Registrar under section 11;
- “ Disciplinary Committee ” means the Disciplinary Committee constituted under section 43;
- “ Fellow ” means a person registered as such under this Act;
- “ Institute ” means the Agricultural Institute of Zambia 20 established under section 3;
- “ institution ” means an industry dealing with, or organisation providing a service in, agricultural products or byproducts;
- “ Member ” means a person registered as a member of the Institute in accordance with the provisions of this Act, 25 and “ membership ” shall be construed accordingly;
- “ plant ” means a crop, algae, fungi, seed and any related material produced as a food crop, cash crop, fibre or flower or produced for an aesthetic purpose or genetic 30 conservation;
- “ practice ” means the practice as a professional in an agricultural field and provision of a service to a third party for remuneration and “ practising ” shall be construed accordingly;
- “ practising certificate ” means a certificate issued under 35 section 25;

