

**THE NATIONAL HIV/AIDS/STI/TB COUNCIL
(AMENDMENT) BILL, 2026**

MEMORANDUM

The object of this Bill is to amend the National HIV/AIDS/STI/
TB Council Act, so as to—

- (a) revise the composition of the National HIV/AIDS/STI/
TB Council; and
- (b) provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the
foregoing.

M. D. KABESHA,
Attorney-General

N. A. B. 42, 2026
19th March, 2026

A BILL

ENTITLED

An Act to amend the National HIV/AIDS/STI/TB Council Act.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

Enactment

5 **1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the National HIV/AIDS/STI/TB Council (Amendment) Act, 2026, and shall be read as one with the National HIV/AIDS/STI/TB Council Act, in this Act referred to as the principal Act.

Short title and commencement
Cap. 319

10 (2) This Act shall come into operation on the expiry of the term of office, or removal by the Minister, of the members of the Council holding office prior to the enactment of this Act, after which the Minister shall appoint the members of the Council in accordance with this Act.

2. The principal Act is amended by the repeal of section 5 and the substitution therefor of the following:

15 **5.** (1) The Council consists of the following part time members appointed by the Minister:

Repeal and replacement of section 5

(a) a representative each from the ministries responsible for—

- 20 (i) health;
- (ii) finance;
- (iii) local government; and
- (iv) community development;

(b) a representative of the Attorney-General;

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- (c) a representative of the Zambia Chamber of Commerce and Industry;
- (d) a representative of a civil society organisation dealing with people living with HIV;
- (e) a representative of a civil society organisation engaged in research and academia; 5
- (f) a representative of a religious organisation; and
- (g) two persons from the private sector with knowledge and experience in matters relevant to this Act. 10

(2) The ministries, institutions and organisations referred to in subsection (1) shall nominate their representatives for appointment by the Minister.

(3) The Minister shall appoint the Chairperson from among the members of the Council. 15

(4) The members shall elect the Vice-Chairperson from among themselves.

Amendment of section 8 **3.** Section 8(4) of the principal Act is amended by the deletion of the word “eight” and the substitution of the word “seven”.