

**THE NATIONAL MUSEUMS (AMENDMENT)
BILL, 2026**

MEMORANDUM

The object of this Bill is to amend the National Museums Act, so as to—

- (a) revise the composition of the National Museums Board;
and
- (b) provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

M. D. KABESHA,
Attorney-General

N. A. B. 34, 2026
19th March, 2026

A BILL

ENTITLED

An Act to amend the National Museums Act.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia

Enactment

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the National Museums (Amendment) Act, 2026, and shall be read as one with the National Museums Act, in this Act referred to as the principal Act.

Short title and commencement
Cap.172

5 (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 Board holding office prior to the enactment of this Act, after which the Minister shall appoint the members of the Board in accordance with this Act.

10 2. Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following new definitions in the appropriate places in alphabetical order:

Amendment of section 2

“House of Chiefs” means the House of Chiefs established under the Constitution;

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15 “Zambia Institute of Human Resource Management” means the Zambia Institute of Human Resource Management established under the Zambia Institute of Human Resource Management Act, 2022; and

Act No.3 of 2022

20 “Zambia Institute of Marketing” means the Zambia Institute of Marketing established under the Zambia Institute of Marketing Act, 2022.

Act No.2 of 2022

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- Amendment of section 5
- 3.** Section 5 of the principal Act is amended by the—
- (a) deletion of subsection (1) and the substitution therefor of the following:
- (1) The Board consists of the following part time members appointed by the Minister: 5
- (a) a representative each of the ministries responsible for—
- (i) culture; and
- (ii) finance;
- (b) a representative of the Attorney-General; 10
- (c) a representative of the House of Chiefs;
- (d) a representative of the Tourism Council of Zambia;
- (e) a representative of the Zambia Institute of Marketing; 15
- (f) a representative of the Zambia Institute of Human Resource Management;
- (g) a representative of the University of Zambia and Allied Workers Union; and
- (h) one person with knowledge and experience in matters relevant to this Act.; 20
- (b) insertion of the following new subsections immediately after subsection (1):
- (2) The ministries, institutions and organisations referred to in subsection (1) shall nominate their representatives for appointment by the Minister. 25
- (3) The Minister shall appoint the Chairperson from among the members of the Board.; and
- (c) renumbering of subsections (2), (3) and (4) as subsections (4), (5) and (6), respectively. 30
- Amendment of section 7
- 4.** Section 7 of the principal Act is amended by the deletion of subsection (1) and the substitution therefor of the following:
- (1) Five members shall form a quorum at a meeting of the Board. 35