

**THE RURAL ELECTRIFICATION (AMENDMENT)
BILL, 2021**

MEMORANDUM

The object of this Bill is to amend the Rural Electrification Act, 2003, so as to revise the composition of the Authority.

A. Mwansa,
Solicitor General

A BILL

ENTITLED

**An Act to amend the Rural Electrification Act,
2003.**

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

Enactment

1. This Act may be cited as the Rural Electrification (Amendment) Act, 2021, and shall be read as one with the Rural Electrification Act, 2003, in this Act referred to as the principal Act.

Short title
Act No. 20
of 2003

2. Section 4 of the principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following new subsections immediately after subsection 2:

Amendment
of section 4

10 (3) The Minister may give the Authority general or specific directions relating to the performance of its functions and the Authority shall give effect to these directions to the extent that the directions are not inconsistent with this Act.

(4) The Minister may enter into performance contracts with the Authority for a specified period which shall be consistent with the provisions of this Act.

15 **3.** Section 6(1) of the principal Act is amended by the —

Amendment
of section 6

(a) deletion of paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) and the substitution therefor of the following:

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- (a) a representative each of the Ministries 20
responsible for -
- (i) energy;
 - (ii) finance;
 - (iii) local government;; and
- (b) renumbering of paragraphs (d), (e), (f) and (g) as 25
paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e), respectively.