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Via email speaker@parliament.gov.za; legislation@da.org.za

The Speaker of the National Assembly
AND TO
Ms Emma Powell

Dear Madam Speaker and Ms Powell

**PREVENTION OF ILLEGAL EVICTION FROM AND UNLAWFUL OCCUPATION OF LAND
AMENDMENT BILL, 2022 [PMB]**

We refer to your request for comment published on 2 September 2022.

The Law Society of South Africa (LSSA) has considered the above-mentioned Bill, and is of the view that a substantive review is required of Prevention of Illegal Eviction from and Unlawful Occupation of Land Act, taking into account:

1. The proposals contained in the Prevention of Illegal Eviction from and Unlawful Occupation of Land Amendment Bill, 2006;
2. Potential alignment with the objectives behind the Unlawful Occupation of Land Amendment Bill, 2022; and
3. The need to reduce and/or remove some of the unnecessary complexity embedded within the procedural requirements contained under section 4 of the PIE Act whilst promoting legal consistency and ensuring equity and justice.

Yours faithfully



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