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FINAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT TEMPLATE (PHASE 2)

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT BILL

The Final Impact Assessment [Pubic Procurement Bill]

The Final Impact Assessment provides a more detailed assessment of the ultimately policy/legislative/ regulations/ other proposal. In addition, it identifies (a) mechanisms for monitoring, evaluation and modification as required; and (b) a system for managing appeals that could emerge around the implementation process.

SUMMARY OF THE BILL

Introduction:

Section 217 of the Constitution of South Africa states as follows on procurement:-

- (1) When an organ of state in the national, provincial or local sphere of government, or any institution identified in national legislation contract for goods or services, it must do so in accordance with a system which is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost-effective.
- (2) Sub-section (1) does not prevent the organs of state or institutions referred to in that subsection from implementing a procurement policy providing for
 - a) Categories of preference in the allocation of contracts; and
 - b) The protection or advancement of persons, or categories of persons disadvantaged by unfair discrimination.
- (3) National legislation must prescribe a framework within which the policy referred to in subsection (2) must be implemented.

Currently, procurement is legislated through the Public Finance Management Act, No.1 of 1999, (PFMA) applicable to National and Provincial spheres of government, however, Chapter 16A of the PFMA Regulations on Supply Chain Management applies to National and Provincial organs of state excluding schedule 2, 3b and 3d public entities listed in the PFMA. The Municipal Finance Management Act No 56 of 2003 further legislate procurement for local spheres of government.

However, there isn't any distinct difference between the PFMA and MFMA on procurement. To give effect to the constitutional requirement of providing for preferential procurement with the aim of addressing socio-economic imbalances of the past, a Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000, No 5 of 2000 (PPPFA) was enacted and applied to all organs of state. In addition to the above mentioned legislation, there are 29 other pieces of legislation dealing indirectly with or regulating certain specificities in public procurement. These numerous pieces of procurement regulatory tools have created fragmentation resulting in the following:

- Overlap and duplication between different regulatory instruments;
- uncertainty as to which precedes the other or to follow;
- the legal status
- Inconsistency in the approach to similar issues at the different levels or spheres of government;
- Conflicting prescripts;
- Variation in the scope of application in as far as Supply Chain Management thereby posing challenges in providing uniform guidance;
- Undermines integrated and comprehensive national oversight functions;
- Hampering on capacity development due to the significant differences between the manner in which public procurement is approached in diverse contexts or institutions;
- Low levels of compliance;
- Impacts on service delivery;
- Challenges in addressing government broader socio-economic objectives;
- Increases the levels of corruption.

In South Africa, government has identified public procurement as a lever that will enable improved access for small and medium enterprises to opportunities, thereby promoting local economic activities and creating jobs. Thus, in December 2014, Cabinet directed National Treasury to accelerate modernisation of the public procurement system in South Africa through a legal framework that introduces broader policy reforms. The Public Procurement Bill is thus one of the processes aimed at effecting Cabinet's decision.

The Public Procurement Bill (the Bill) introduces a series of notable governance reforms to the contemporary public procurement / SCM regime. The Bill provides the required governance system between the Constitutional provisions on procurement and organs of state implementing the procurement system. It represents, under the Constitution, the chief legal instrument providing for the statutory regulation of public procurement / SCM across government.

Currently, the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (PPPFA) is the only statutory legislation that explicitly regulates procurement throughout Government. However, consistent with Government and public stakeholder sentiment, the PPPFA is too constrained in its approach to attaining government policy objectives. The points system in particular has been inflexible at statutory level, generating rigidities that have stymied well-conceived local industrialisation and empowerment initiatives. The Bill in its intent elevates and mainstreams preferential procurement into the broader public procurement / SCM regime by enhancing more flexible preferential provisions and repealing the PPPFA. The Bill envisages governing public procurement across the public sector, carving out and elevating the procurement clauses of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA) and Municipal Finance Management Act (MFMA), harmonising them with the remaining public finance management provisions of those statutes, and building the procurement function into a professional work-stream within the statute framework of the Bill. The Bill, intended as the highest statutory legal instrument on public procurement / SCM, is an effort to consolidate and simplify regulation on public procurement across Government. It will be applicable to all 'organs of state', as per the definition provided in Section 239 of the Constitution, including initially those to which the PFMA and the MFMA applies, along with Parliament and the Provincial Legislatures.

The Billprovides for the recasting of the National Treasury OCPO as a Public Procurement Regulator (PPR), a juristic person with jurisdiction throughout the Republic of South Africa on public procurement / SCM. It will have an institutional structure of a national public entity under the Ministry of Finance aligned to Section 216 of the Constitution that reads with Section 217 providing the authority to National Treasury to regulate public procurement. The Bill provides for the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer (Head) of the Public Procurement Authority as the custodian of public procurement / SCM in the Republic to be appointed by the Minister, on recommendation from an appointment panel consisting of members from constitutional entities. The statutory institutional positioning of the PPR within the National Treasury & the appointment procedures of its Head will ensure that the PPR is enabled to exercise its powers independently and impartially, without fear, favour or prejudice, and guarantee the necessary organizational independence to uphold the constitutional principles in Section 217 on procurement.

The Bill retains provincial treasuries as sites of regulation and innovation in the public procurement environment in terms of the PFMA & MFMA, and builds an intergovernmental institutional system of cooperation and coordination between organs of state across national, provincial and local government in terms of the Intergovernmental Relations Framework Act.

The Bill provides for the statutory establishment of the supply chain management function in Government and subjects it to the regulatory authority of the PPR. The PPR will be enabled to prescribe the institutional arrangements, roles and responsibilities of procuring entities' procurement systems, provided that this is consistent with the PFMA and MFMA. The PPR will prescribe a framework for recruitment and retention, continuous capacity building through competency assessments, and professionalization of officials involved in implementing the public procurement / SCM regime. The Bill includes at a statutory level more substantially all stages of the supply chain management process, from procurement planning to disposal management. The Bill provides for the first time at statutory level for a fuller menu of procurement methods to facilitate more efficiency and effectiveness in allowing organs of state procuring entities the room to adjust purchasing method flexibly to suit their requirements. The Bill mainstreams preferential procurement centrally into the public procurement regime by providing for the inclusion of preferences across the stages of the supply chain management process, subject to more flexible elaboration in regulations in

anticipation of green / sustainable procurement approaches, and related innovations around the inclusion of broader government policy objectives in public procurement / SCM decision-making.

The Bill provides to the PPR powers of policy review, audit, investigation, and the establishment of reporting requirements will be granted to the PPR. The PPR may refer investigations to relevant authorities, order procuring entities to comply with the Bill and require the procuring entity to take appropriate actions. The PPR may recommend that public officers be sanctioned. The PPR may initiate criminal proceedings. The PPR may annul, revise and substitute decisions or policies of procuring entities. The PPR may, pending investigations, suspend or terminate procurement processes and activities. The PPR may recommend to the appropriate authority that the exercise of the procurement function by an Accounting Officer or Authority be suspended. Political office-bearers will be prohibited from interfering in the procurement systems of procuring entities, being confined to a policy-setting and oversight role. In terms of the Bill persons in the employ of the State are prohibited from trading with the State.

The Bill determines the statutory framework for a complaints and dispute resolution system, at procuring entity and PPR levels, with the establishment of a Public Procurement Supplier Ombud, to facilitate and recommend the resolution of complaints and disputes, and to promote the public interest in relation to public procurement. The Bill provides for increased scope for public involvement in supporting the PPR in its oversight activities. It does so in part through expanded provision for transparency, including through a publically accessible information platform and a requirement of proactive disclosure of information in terms of the Promotion of Access to Information Act. Further, the PPR will be compelled to establish frameworks for the participation of business, suppliers, civil society and the public in procurement and related processes and systems. The Bill empowers the Minister to determine a framework for appeal and review of any public procurement policy and other decisions and actions by the PPR through the establishment of a Procurement Appeal Tribunal, to keep in check the PPR expanded institutional powers and functions.

The Bill empowers Ministerial and PPR regulations that will be enabled to take account of immense unevenness in the capacities of procuring entities and the nature of the markets that they interact with. The Minister will therefore be allowed to provide for differential regulation in relation to categories of organs of state, accounting authorities and officials. A manual will provide a regularly up-dated and necessary guide to the public procurement/ SCM regime.

Due consideration was given to, amongst others, the Government's Programme of Action and the objectives and the 18 key targets of the National Development Plan (NDP). The Bill expands on the NDP's focus on efficient and effective public procurement system and contextualises the strategic role of SCM in service delivery and social economic objectives.

1. The problem Statement/ Theory of Change

- 1.1. Give summary of the proposal, identifying the problem to be addressed and the root (causes) of the problem that will be addressed by the new rule.
- a) Summary of the proposal (Summary Background of the proposed policy/Bill/ regulations/ other)

Firstly, the Bill emanates from the legal requirement to primarily establish the institutional legal framework for the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer (OCPO) to regulate and to exercise oversight over public procurement across all procurement sectors in government; Secondly, based on the comments from government stakeholders based on annexure 1, a previous consultation version of the 2016Bill, it was advised that the Bill should be principle based and not a process orientated law; with the likely possibility of it being amended as the operations change; such as;

• The impact of automation as processes become modernized,

- · considering that the Bill is regulated across different procurement sectors, and
- the amendments to the current affected laws.

It is therefore envisaged that the **regulations** to the Bill will be expansive enough to cater for all technical procurement requirements for supply chain management. Furthermore, the Bill will add to the required modernization of policies as the research framework for the draft regulations benchmarks modernized policies covering international supply chain management and government public procurement laws.

The current SCM Regulations do not provide adequate policy coverage for the legal framework of the Bill and therefore will be modernized at the regulatory level in researching and drafting the regulations for the Bill.

Thirdly, the Bill attempts to principally capture the preferential policy framework as required in the constitution with the flexibility to be regulated on a regulatory level more expansively and operationally.

b) **Problem/s and root causes** that the proposal is trying to address

Identified Problem	Root causes

The current procurement systems across government and organs of state are not uniformly and optimally addressing service delivery needs as well as promoting socioeconomic development objectives and good governance.

- Overlap and duplication between different regulatory instruments creating uncertainty as to which precedes the other or which to follow e.g. CIDB, SIPDM, IDMS
- the legal status of the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer
- Inconsistency in the approach to similar issues at the different levels or spheres of government
- Conflicting prescripts e.g. SOCs and schedule 3A and 3C public entities apply different prescripts
- Too many pieces legislation on procurement with no single regulatory body
- Variation in the scope of application in as far as Supply Chain
 Management thereby posing challenges in providing uniform guidance
 e.g. SOCs can develop their own SCM policies as provided for in the
 PFMA, however, there is no overarching framework guiding the
 application of said policies
- The SCM Treasury regulations (Chapter 16A) not being applicable to Schedules 2, 3B and 3D public entities listed in the PFMA. The process followed for issuance of guiding prescript to local spheres of government.
- Fragmentation of policies undermines integrated and comprehensive national oversight functions
- Delegations of authority provided for in the PFMA and MFMA as well as other prescripts not clearly defined
- The PPPFA is too constrained in its approach to attaining government policy objectives. The points system in particular has been inflexible at statutory level, generating rigidities that have stymied well-conceived local industrialisation and empowerment initiatives

Misinterpretation of prescripts
Lack of professional capacity
Poor planning and project management
SCM abuse and lack of consequence management
Lack of legal framework to regulate procurement from another organ of
state

1.2. Describe the intended outcomes of the proposal

The intent of the OCPO within National Treasury is to ensure that public sector organizations in South Africa honour the provisions of section 217 of the Constitution when spending taxpayer's money on procurement of goods, services and works.

Although the OCPO is not directly involved in procurement processes of organs of state, the OCPO is responsible to manage procurement reforms, enhance and maintain the procurement system and oversee how government conducts business with the private sector.

Emanating from the supply chain management (SCM) modernisation strategy that was approved by Cabinet on 12 November 2014, the focus was to accelerate the SCM reforms by:

- Finalising the legal framework aligned to the proposed reforms;
- Simplifying, standardising and automating procurement activities across all spheres of government; and
- Modernise SCM technology and up-scaling the use thereof;

While an enabling procurement legislative framework is key to achieving the objectives of a developmental state as depicted in the National Development Plan (NDP), the current reforms are capitalising on the smarter use of technology. Given the current economic climate, it is now more important than ever to find innovating ways of ensuring government procurement is streamlined and simplified to provide opportunities to as many citizens / suppliers as possible. The introduction of digital technologies in the public procurement and its impact on transparency, oversight and efficiency remains the key objective in enabling the SCM reforms which is implied in the Bill. Although solutions are developed at an unprecedented speed, the agility of organs of state to adopt and integrate these solutions in their current policy and technology environment's, remains a concern.

South Africa was one of the founding members of the Open Government Partnership (OGP) when it was formally launched in 20 September 2011, and has made many commitments that seek to build on existing government and citizen-led initiatives related to OPG in the South African

government. Combating corruption and enhancing transparency and accountability were identified as key challenges to strengthening a capable and democratic state during the feedback process.

Given the subscription of government to the OGP, the challenge South Africa will address through OGP is to seek to increase public confidence by improving integrity in public services, creating safer communities, effectively managing public resources and increasing accountability.

1.3. Describe the groups that will benefit from the proposal, and the groups that will face the cost. These groups could be described by their role in the economy or in society. As a minimum, consider if there will be specific benefits or costs for the poorest households (earning R 7000 a month or less); for black people, youth or women; for small and emerging enterprise; and /or for rural development. Add more rows if required

Groups that will benefit	How will they benefit?
Citizens	Improved service delivery; Preferential procurement
	of services from local professionals
Black Businesses (Black	Preferential access to government business
persons, women, youth,	opportunities
township and rural)	
Local Businesses	Developmental opportunities for SMMEs
Local Industry	Bill provides for set aside allocation of contracts to
	for goods manufactured in South Africa and services
	that are provided by citizens of South Africa

SCM practitioners	Professionalisation and recognition as a specialist				
	discipline				
Government	Savings (expenditure reduction) on fiscus, value for				
	money on contracts				
Country	Improved credit ratings, investor confidence and				
	corruption rankings				

Groups that will bear the cost or lose	How will they incur the costs or lose?		
Untransformed businesses	Losing out on government contracts.		
Government institutions including NT	Restructuring of SCM functions to align with		
	the new functions		

1.4. Describe the behaviour that must be changed, main mechanisms to achieve the necessary changes. These mechanisms may include modifications in decision making process systems; changes in procedures; educational work; sanctions; and or incentives. Also identify groups inside or outside government whose behaviour will have to change to implement the proposal. Add more rows if required.

Groups inside	Behaviour that must be changed	Main mechanism to achieve	
Government	(Current Behaviour)	the necessary changes	
SCM practitioners	Not always acting in the best	Modification Changes in	
	interests of the state by exercising	procedures, educational work,	
	due diligence and care and avoiding	change management to	
	conflicts of interest when	encourage thinking outside the	
	performing their duties	box, implementing punitive	
		measure and also have	
		incentives for best performers	
Accounting Officers	Lack of accountability and proper	The Bill outlines clear roles and	
(AO) and Accounting	delegations of functions	responsibilities for AO and AA	
Authorities (AA)		as well as educational	
		mechanism to assist with the	
		implementation of their roles	
		including consequence	
		management for non-	
		compliance	
User/ line	Not undermining the SCM processes	Change management training,	
functionaries	and planning their needs in a timely	sanctions for users/line	

Groups inside	Behaviour that must be changed	Main mechanism to achieve	
Government	(Current Behaviour)	the necessary changes	
	manner in order to allow the SCM	functionaries who circumvent	
	process to be executed	the SCM process	

Groups outside	Behaviour that must be changed	Main mechanism to	
Government	(Current Behaviour)	achieve the necessary	
		changes	
Suppliers	Jack of all trade mentality,	Supplier open days by	
	tenderpreneurship, expectation that	relevant stakeholder to	
	government will hand work to	educate suppliers on	
	categories of persons who were	what is expected of	
	previously disadvantaged	suppliers, robust SCM	
		specification process	
Government agencies that	Not visible, not providing sufficient	Marketing of services	
are responsible for	support to SMME in relation to how	provided and how	
economic development	to run profitable and sustainable	suppliers can access these	
	businesses	services	
Government agencies that	Not visible, not transparent on	Marketing of services	
fund small businesses	offering and requirement for	provided and how	

	accessing funding, not investing in	suppliers can access these	
	capacity buildings	services	
Big Business and Multi	Unwillingness to transform, transfer	The Bill provides	
Nationals	skills and investing in local economy.	incentives for local	
		production and	
		operations.	

1.5. Report on consultations on the proposal with the affected government agencies, business and other groupings. What do they see as the main benefits, costs and risks? Do they support or oppose the proposal? What amendments do they propose? And have these amendments been incorporated in your proposal?

Annexure 1 highlights these cases

Table on consultations:

Affected Stakeholders		What do they see as	Do they <u>support</u> or	What amendments do	Have these amendments
		main <u>benefits</u> , costs and	oppose the proposal?	they propose?	been <u>incorporated</u> in
		risks?			your proposal?
1	. Government	Benefit: Synergy in SCM	Yes, they support the draft	Will be done once	
	Departments and	prescripts; flexible	thus far.	published for comments.	
	Agencies (National	preferential procurement			

Treasury; Department of Human Settlement; Water & Sanitation; SITA, Correctional Services, Transport, Trade & Industry, ARMSCOR, SOCs)	as well as the industrial and innovation support.					
2. FOSAD	Benefit: Single piece of SCM legislation governing all spheres of government,	a)	All attendees indicated that they were happy with document. They indicated that it is a step in the right direction and that they were looking forward to working with NT on the drafting of the regulations to ensure that what is	1.	The name regulator need to be changed as it causes confusion considering that it is the OCPO and not a regulator that would be reporting to Parliament and independent of any organ of state.	No, the amendments will be made during the public consultation stage. Some of the concerns are addressed in the Bill broadly and will be taken up in the drafting of the regulations as it is easier to update regulations than an act.

practicality of
transferring of
funds other than
to organ of state
and how should
they comply with
the Act when
procuring goods
and services for
the benefit of the
organ of state. A
need to indicate
upfront what the
Act covers from
the policy specifics
concerning
transferring of
funds e.g. defence
procurement,

	women and youth,
	traditional leaders.
	4. Green
	procurement
	should also be
	looked into
	intensively.
	5. The minimum
	wage is not
	addressed
	although there is
	provision for tax
	compliance –
	resolution was
	made to remove
	tax compliance
	from the Bill and
	include all other
	applicable
	legislation that
	organs of state
	must comply with
	in the in the
	regulations.
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6. Rephrase the
statement about
"no discrimination
based on
nationality" and
rather draft it in
line with section
217(1) of the
constitution so
that there is no
emphasis on the
facet of nationality
as this may be
problematic when
challenged even
though the
constitution allows
for advancement
of designated
groups
7. Department of
Women concern
that the Bill does
not explicitly
mention the
mention the

	advancement of
	women whereas
	women make up
	more than 51% of
	the population.
	Requested that
	addition of clause
	26(2)(c)(vi) in this
	regard. It was
	proposed that the
	categories of
	persons to be
	advanced not be
	indicated
	specifically but
	rather be indicated
	broadly in order to
	avoid amending
	the Act. Legal
	advice would be
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sought in terms of making provision of women in the Act as opposed to the other groups and what impact this will have should other groups be identified after the promulgation of the Act. 8. In the section dealing with procurement methods- address the issue of government to government to government procurement	
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the issue of government to government	procurement
government to government	methods- address
government	the issue of
	government to
procurement	government
	procurement

where government
has the capacity to
provide the goods
and services
required.
9. Remove specific
number of days for
bid validity period,
section 30 (2) and
section 33 and
move them
regulations.
10. There is a need to
look at supplier
development and
targeted
procurement
within the Act in
terms of
development in

order to see how they get promoted 11. A concern was raised with innovations that	
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innovations that	
Departments	
comes-up with and	
find that	
Departments are	
used to	
commercialize	
companies that	
were used to	
source innovations	
and how this can	
be curbed and	
protect the	
copyright/ rights of	
usage by	

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		government to	
		these innovations.	
		12. NT must look at	
		ways on to what	
		extent the	
		preferential	
		procurement	
		requirements will	
		apply to SOCs or	
		other organs of	
		state that compete	
		with the private	
		sector for	
		provision of goods	
		or services as	
		sometimes this	
		makes them	
		uncompetitive and	
		the state often has	
		sometimes this makes them uncompetitive and	

to bail out these organs of state. 13. Bill must address the issue of organs of state leasing goods and services that are designated for local production and content e.g. leasing of buses, aircraft etc. to avoid the procurement rules that are applicable to goods and services designated for local production	
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designated for local production	to goods and
local production	services
	designated for
and content. This	local production
	and content. This

erodes the intent
of the designation
14. What is the
jurisdiction of the
tribunal, what type
of matters will it
deal with, and
what the appeal
process is for
where any party is
aggrieved by a
decision made by
the tribunal so that
it does not step
into the domain of
other agencies e.g.
the Competition
Commission.
15. Professionalizing
public sector

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	was indicate	d that
	it was impor	tant to
	put the prac	ical
	skill of	
	procuremen	e.g.
	training on	
	procuremen	:
	prescripts in	place
	as there is	
	currently sca	rcity
	thereof. It w	as
	indicated the	t
	OCPO needs	to
	look at its ch	ange
	strategy	
	particularly o	on the
	issue of	
	professional	sing

the public sector
procurement.
16. The Bill must
address the issue
of employees who
are alleged to have
committed an
offence in terms of
the Bill, who then
resign to avoid the
investigation and
or that even if the
person resigns
they can still be
"flagged".
17. The Bill must
address the
capacitation of
employees
involved in SCM

		and what happens	
		when they are not	
		performing at the	
		level that they	
		should.	
3. Business			
4. Organised Labour			
5. Civil Society			
6. The Public			
7. Other groupings			
(Name them)			

1.6. Describe possible disputes arising out of the implementation of the proposal, and system for settling and appealing them. How onerous will it likely be for members of the public to lodge a complaint and how burdensome and expeditious is the proposed dispute-settlement procedure?

Undoubtedly disputes or rather disagreements will arise out of the implementation of the Bill. The OCPO intends undertaking a public comment exercise to determine initial disagreements with the introduction of the Bill with the approval of cabinet. A team is set aside to management the comments and disagreements of which team will escalate the problematic issues to senior management of the OCPO. Furthermore, in conjunction with the DOJ, the OCPO will seek guidance on possible resolve to the impending matters.

Members of the public can address their concerns via email or by letter to a dedicated desk which will be set up on the inception of public comments on the Bill.

2. Impact Assessment

2.1. Describe the costs and benefits of implementing the proposal to the groups identified in point 1.5 above, using the following chart. Add more rows if required

Group	Implementation	Costs of	Costs/Benefits from	Comments
	Costs	changing	achieving desired	
		behaviour	outcome	
National	Increase in	Training	Reduction of regulatory	Delays in the
Departments	human	Change	and administrative	delivery of
and	resources to	management	burden thus bringing	departmental
constitutional	cater for new	Organisation	about efficiencies in	objectives due
institutions	functions;	Design and	delivery of services	to adaptation
	Increase in ICT	processes		to new
	infrastructure to			processes
	enable better			
	performance of			

Group	Implementation	Costs of	Costs/Benefits from	Comments
	Costs	changing	achieving desired	
		behaviour	outcome	
	new functions			
	and service			
	delivery;			
	Increase in			
	budget to cater			
	for additional			
	Human			
	resources, ICT,			
	change			
	management &			
	Capacitation of			
	staff through			
	training			
Provincial	Increase in	Training	Reduction of regulatory	Delays in the
Departments	human	Change	and administrative	delivery of
	resources to	management	burden thus bringing	departmental
	cater for new	Organisation	about efficiencies in	objectives due
	functions;	Design and	delivery of services	to adaptation
	Increase in ICT	processes		to new
	infrastructure to			processes
	enable better			
	performance of			
	new functions			
	and service			
	delivery;			
	Increase in			
	budget to cater			
	for additional			

Group	Implementation	Costs of	Costs/Benefits from	Comments
	Costs	changing	achieving desired	
		behaviour	outcome	
	Human			
	resources, ICT,			
	change			
	management &			
	Capacitation of			
	staff through			
	training			
Municipalities	Increase in	Training	Reduction of regulatory	Delays in the
and Municipal	human	Change	and administrative	delivery of
Entities	resources to	management	burden thus bringing	departmental
	cater for new	Organisation	about efficiencies in	objectives due
	functions;	Design and	delivery of services	to adaptation
	Increase in ICT	processes		to new
	infrastructure to			processes
	enable better			
	performance of			
	new functions			
	and service			
	delivery;			
	Increase in			
	budget to cater			
	for additional			
	Human			
	resources, ICT,			
	change			
	management &			
	Capacitation of			

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	Costs	changing	achieving desired	
		behaviour	outcome	
	staff through			
	training			
Public Entities	Increase in	Training	Reduction of regulatory	Delays in the
listed in the	human	Change	and administrative	delivery of
PFMA	resources to	management	burden thus bringing	departmental
	cater for new	Organisation	about efficiencies in	objectives due
	functions;	Design and	delivery of services	to adaptation
	Increase in ICT	processes		to new
	infrastructure to			processes
	enable better			
	performance of			
	new functions			
	and service			
	delivery;			
	Increase in			
	budget to cater			
	for additional			
	Human			
	resources, ICT,			
	change			
	management &			
	Capacitation of			
	staff through			
	training			
National	Increase in	Change	Uniform understanding	There may be a
Treasury	human	management	and implementation of	need for re-
	resources to	training	the new legislation	engineering of
				the current

Group	Implementation	Costs of	Costs/Benefits from	Comments
	Costs	changing	achieving desired	
		behaviour	outcome	
	cater for new	Consistent	Direct contact with	OCPO to align
	functions;	publication of	affected stakeholders-	with the new
	Increase in ICT	new reforms in	organs of state, civil	functions that
	infrastructure to	various media	society, bidders etc.	will need to be
	enable better	including		performed in
	performance of	national, local,		line with the Bill
	new functions	regional and		
	and service	local		
	delivery;	newspapers		
	Increase in			
	budget to cater			
	for additional			
	Human			
	resources, ICT,			
	change			
	management &			
	Capacitation of			
	staff through			
	training			
	Unique costs			
	relating to			
	additional			
	responsibilities –			
	Tribunal and			
	Ombudsman			
	Roll out and			
	implementation			

Group	Implementation	Costs of	Costs/Benefits from	Comments
	Costs	changing	achieving desired	
		behaviour	outcome	
	costs e.g. travel			
	and			
	accommodation;			
	training			
	material, media			
	campaigns,			
	venue hire			
Provincial	Increase in	Change	Uniform understanding	There may be a
Treasuries	human	management	and implementation of	need for re-
	resources to	training	the new legislation	engineering of
	cater for new	Consistent	Direct contact with	the current
	functions;	publication of	affected stakeholders-	SCM transversal
	Increase in ICT	new reforms in	organs of state, civil	support units
	infrastructure to	various media	society, bidders etc.	within
	enable better	including		provincial
	performance of	national, local,		treasuries to
	new functions	regional and		align with the
	and service	local		new functions
	delivery;	newspapers		that will need
	Increase in			to be
	budget to cater			performed in
	for additional			line with the Bill
	Human			
	resources, ICT,			
	change			
	management &			
	Capacitation of			

Group	Implementation	Costs of	Costs/Benefits from	Comments
	Costs	changing	achieving desired	
		behaviour	outcome	
	staff through			
	training			
	Roll out and			
	implementation			
	costs e.g. travel			
	and			
	accommodation;			
	training			
	material, media			
	campaigns,			
	venue hire			
Parliament				

- 2.2. Describe the changes required in budgets and staffing in government in order to implement the proposal. Identify where additional resources would be required for implementation. It is assumed that existing staff are fully employed and cannot simply absorb extra work without relinquishing other tasks.
 - a) The budget and staffing requirements will mainly be at the relevant treasuries with the establishment of dispute resolution mechanism such as the Tribunal and ombudsman.
- 2.3. Describe how the proposal minimises implementation and compliance costs.
 - a) The Bill makes provision for transparency of institutional plans and achievements; enforcement of policies and performance monitoring including consequence management which will therefore minimise implementation cost as well as compliance.

- b) It brings about a single piece of legislation that will govern procurement in all spheres of government, is clear on the roles and responsibilities of accounting officers, accounting authorities and the relevant treasuries.
- c) It is clear on what is expected of bidders, officials and other role players involved in the SCM system in relation to their ethical conduct thus eliminating the uncertainty on how to deal with transgressions that may occur.

3. Managing Risk

3.1. Describe the main risks to the achievement of the desired ends of the policy/Bill/regulations/other and/ or to the national priorities (aims) that could arise from adoption of the proposal. Also describe the measures taken to manage the identified risks. Add more rows if necessary.

Identified Risk	Mitigation Measures
Delays in effecting amendments of	Inter – Ministerial and Governmental
impacted pieces of legislation as a	intervention fora to expedite the required
result of resistance to change.	change to the impacted legislation and to
	be the champions of the change
	management required.

- 3.2. Describe the mechanisms <u>included in your proposal</u> for monitoring implementation, evaluating the outcomes, and modifying the implementation process if required. Estimate the minimum amount of time it would take from the start of the implementation process to identify a major problem and remedy it.
 - a) The proposed Regulator structure includes a Governance Monitoring and Compliance function which will be replicated in all provincial treasuries to address this.
 - b) The monitoring and evaluation of the effectiveness of the Bill will be conducted through an enhanced performance management system that includes submission of reports and institutional SCM plans on a periodic basis.

4. Summary

4.1. Summarise the impact of the proposal on the main national priorities

National Priority	Impact
1. Social Cohesion	Addresses socio-economic imbalances of the past
	dispensation through preferential treatment of
	enterprises owned by historically disadvantaged
	individuals as well as locally produced commodities.
2. Security (Safety, Financial, Food,	Adherence to prescribed norms
Energy and etc.)	Savings on fiscus through improved and streamlined
	procurement strategies designed for the various
	strategic goods and services procured e.g.
	construction procurement being dealt with
	differently from normal goods and services
	Preferential treatment of businesses located in rural
	areas which could be an incentive to drive rural
	communities to venture into agri-business thus
	increasing the country's ability to produce food
	Legislation encourages differentiated procurement
	strategies and in therefore it allows opportunity to
	later decide to provide a regulatory framework for
	clean energy production through green procurement
3. Economic Growth	Increased levels in local production and content
	through the preferential treatment of locally
	produced commodities thus driving the demand for
	local production up which could lead to economic
	growth.
4. Economic Inclusion (Job Creation and	Preferential treatment for designated local business
Equality)	
5. Environmental Sustainability	

4.2. Identify the social and economic groups that would **benefit most** and that would **bear the most cost**. Add more rows if required.

Main Beneficiaries	Main Cost bearers
Citizens	National Treasury and other organs of state
Designated categories of suppliers	OEMs (foreign monopolies), untransformed local
	businesses
Officials of organs of State	The State

- 4.3. In conclusion, summarise what should be done to reduce the costs, maximise the benefits, and mitigate the risks associated with the policy/Bill/regulations/other. Note supplementary measures (such as educational campaigns or provision of financing) as well as amendments to the draft itself, if appropriate. Add more lines if required.
 - a) Clear communication strategy and targeted awareness campaigns for the groups identified as beneficiaries and cost bearers so that they understand the changes and the implications to them.
 - b) Capacitation of implementing agents (officials and Institutions) in terms of what their roles are within the SCM space as well as the role of the client that they are procuring the goods and services on behalf of.
- 4.4. Please identify areas where additional research would improve understanding of the costs, benefits and/ or risks of the policy/Bill/regulations/other (Dispute Resolution Mechanism)

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