## **REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**

# **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

# AGRICULTURAL (COMMERCIAL) LAND REFORM AMENDMENT BILL

(As read a First Time)

(Introduced by the Minister of Lands and Resettlement)

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE:**

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Words underlined with a solid line indicate insertions in existing provisions.

Words in bold type in square brackets indicate omissions from existing provisions.

### BILL

amend the Agricultural (Commercial) Land Reform Act, 1995, so as to insert a certain definition; to provide for further situations where the State has the right of preference to purchase land; to provide for a negotiating committee on purchase prices; and to provide for incidental matters.

**BE IT ENACTED** as passed by the Parliament, and assented to by the President of the Republic of Namibia, as follows:

Amendment of section 1 of Act No. 6 of 1995, as amended by section 1 of Act No. 16 of 2000, section 1 of Act No. 2 of 2001, section 1 of Act No. 13 of 2002 and section 1 of Act No. 14 of 2003

1. Section 1 of the Agricultural (Commercial) Land Reform Act, 1995 (in this Act referred to as "the principal Act") is amended by the insertion after the definition of "expropriation notice" of the following definition:

"farming unit" means a portion of land acquired or allocated for farming purposes and conforming to the size prescribed for that purpose;".

Substitution of section 9 of Act No. 6 of 1995, as amended by sec 6 of Act 13 of 2002 and section 1 of Act No. 8 of 2013

2. The following section is substituted for section 9 of the principal Act:

#### "Committees

- 9. (1) There is established for every region a regional resettlement committee to assist the Commission in the exercise of such of its powers or the performance of such of its duties or functions under this Act as the Commission may delegate or assign to the committee.
- (2) A regional resettlement committee established under subsection (1) consists of not less than 11 and not more than 19 members -
  - (a) the regional governor appointed in terms of the Special Advisors and Regional Governors Appointment Act, 1990 (Act 6 of 1990) for the respective region who is the chairperson of the committee;