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KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL ACT

[Date of assent: 12th October, 2012.]

[Date of commencement: 19th October, 2012.]

An Act of Parliament to provide for the establishment, powers and functions of the Kenya National Examinations Council and the conduct of examinations; to provide for the repeal of the Kenya National Examinations Council Act, and for connected purposes

[Act No. 29 of 2012, Act No. 18 of 2014, Act No. 31 of 2015, Act No. 30 of 2016, Act No. 27 of 2017, Act No. 24 of 2019.]

PART I – PRELIMINARY

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Kenya National Examinations Council Act, 2012.

2. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

“**Cabinet Secretary**” means the Cabinet Secretary for the time being responsible for matters relating to education;

“**candidate**” means a person registered to take an examination conducted by or on behalf of the Council;

“**certificate**” means a document issued by the Council and designated as such showing results obtained by a particular candidate in an examination;

“**Chief Executive Officer**” means the chief executive officer of the Council appointed under section 14;

“**Council**” means the Kenya National Examinations Council established under section 3;

“**diploma**” means a document issued by the Council and designated as such showing results obtained by a particular candidate in an examination;

“**effective date**” means the date on which this Act comes into force;

“**electronic device**” includes a programmable calculator, mobile phone and other device as may be prescribed;

“**examination**” means an examination conducted under this Act by or on behalf of the Council;

“**examinations material**”, whether in print or electronic form, means—

- (a) an examination paper;
- (b) notes for the preparation of an examination paper;
- (c) instructions for the setting up of equipment or the preparation of instruments for an examination; or
- (d) any other document or material which is intended to form part of an examination paper or to enable an examination paper to be prepared,