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THE PETITION TO PARLIAMENT (PROCEDURE) (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2021

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A Bill for

AN ACT of Parliament to amend the Petitions to Parliament (Procedure) Act, 2012

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya, as follows-

1. This Act may be cited as the Petition to Parliament (Procedure) (Amendment) Act, 2021.

Short title.

Amendment of section 3 of No.

22 of 2012.

2. Section 3 of the Petition to Parliament (Procedure) Act, 2012, in this Act referred to as the "principal Act", is amended—

- (a) in paragraph (i) by deleting the word "addresses" appearing immediately after the word "names" and substituting therefor the words "contact information";
- (b) by renumbering the existing provision as subsection (1);
- (c) by inserting the following new subsection immediately after subsection (1)—

"(2) Despite subsection (1)(k), a Petitioner shall—

- (a) attach evidence of the efforts made to have the matters raised in the petition addressed by a relevant body for purposes of subsection (1)(f); and
- (b) attach an affidavit indicating whether the matters are pending before court, and if pending before court, attach evidence of the court proceedings or judgment for purposes of subsection (1)(g).

3. Section 4 of the principal Act is amended by—

Amendment of section 4 of No. 22 of 2012.

(a) deleting subsection (3) and substituting therefor the following new subsection—

(3) The Clerk or a committee of the relevant House shall review the petition to ascertain whether the petition meets the requirements of this Act.

(b) deleting subsection (4) and substituting therefor the following new subsection—

(4) Where the Clerk or a Committee of the relevant House of Parliament considers that a petition does not comply with section 3, the Clerk or the Committee may give such directions as are necessary to ensure that the petition is amended to comply with that section.

(c) inserting the following new subsection immediately after subsection 4-

"(4A) The Clerk or a Committee of a House of Parliament may reject a petition where—

- (a) the issues in respect of which the petition is made are pending before any court of law or other constitutional or legal body; or
- (b) the petitioner fails to comply with the directions given under subsection (4)."