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**PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
TO
REFUGEES AMENDMENT BILL**

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LONG TITLE

1. On page 2, in the last line of the long title, after “penalties;”, to insert “to provide for transitional provisions;”.

CLAUSE 2

1. On page 3, in line 56, after “to”, to omit “make an application for asylum”, and to substitute with “report to the Refugee Reception Office.”.
2. On page 3, in line 59, after “reason”, to omit “of similar nature”, and to substitute with “: Provided that this provision shall not apply to a person who, while being in the Republic on a valid visa, other than a visa issued in terms of section 23 of the Immigration Act, applies for asylum.”.

CLAUSE 3

1. On page 4, in line 10, after “herself”, to omit “in any way”, and to substitute with “in the prescribed circumstances”.
2. On page 4, in line 27, after “2”, to omit “to”, and to insert “of”.
3. On page 4, in line 32, after “Minister”, to omit “resolves”, and to substitute with “may issue an order”.

CLAUSE 13

1. On page 7, after line 3, to omit subsection (2), and to substitute with the following subsection:

“(2) Any function performed by the Standing Committee in terms of this Act must be determined by a single member or, in particular matters, such number of members of the Standing Committee as the chairperson may consider necessary.”.
2. On page 7, in line 50, after “administrative”, to omit “monitoring or supervisory”.

CLAUSE 14

1. On page 8, from line 4, to omit subsection (1), and to substitute with the following subsection:

“(1) The Director-General must, as soon as possible after the commencement of this Act, and from time to time thereafter, and without probable cause, direct all members and administrative staff of the Standing Committee, Refugee Appeals Authority and all members of staff at any Refugee Reception Office, including persons who are not members of staff but who perform any function at such an Office, to be subjected to measures to test the integrity of those