

THE HIGHER EDUCATION BILL, 2013

MEMORANDUM

The objects of this Bill are to—

- (a) provide for the establishment of the Higher Education Authority and define its functions and powers;
- (b) provide for quality assurance and quality promotion in higher education;
- (c) provide for the establishment, governance and regulation of public higher education institutions;
- (d) provide for the registration and regulation of private higher education institutions;
- (e) repeal and replace the University Act, 1999; and
- (f) provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

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THE HIGHER EDUCATION ACT, 2013

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ACT

No. 4 of 2013

Date of Assent: 21st March, 2013

An Act to provide for the establishment of the Higher Education Authority and define its functions and powers; provide for quality assurance and quality promotion in higher education; provide for the establishment, governance and regulation of public higher education institutions; provide for the registration and regulation of private higher education institutions; repeal and replace the University Act, 1999; and provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

[22nd March, 2013

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

Enactment

PART I

PRELIMINARY

1. This Act may be cited as the Higher Education Act, 2013, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by statutory instrument, appoint. Short title
and
commencement
2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires— Interpretation
 - “ accreditation ” means the evaluation and recognition of academic programmes to ensure that they meet the necessary quality requirements;
 - “ aided higher education institution ” means a college, other than a public college, established or maintained by any person, organisation or community with assistance from the Ministry;
 - “ affiliated institution ” means a college or higher education institution affiliated to a public higher education institution under section *thirty-seven*;
 - “ Authority ” means the Higher Education Authority established under section *four*;