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DEPARTEMENT VAN DIE EERSTE MINISTER

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It is hereby notified that the State President has assented to the following Act which is hereby published for general information:—

Hierby word bekend gemaak dat die Staatspresident sy goedkeuring geheg het aan die onderstaande Wet wat hierby ter algemene inligting gepubliseer word:—

No. 58 of 1974: Water Amendment Act, 1974.

No. 58 van 1974: Waterwysigingswet, 1974.

WATER AMENDMENT ACT, 1974.

Act No. 58, 1974

ACT

To amend the Water Act, 1956, to provide for the disestablishment of water boards; to amend the provisions of the said Act relating to the designation of chairmen and vice-chairmen of water boards; the remuneration and allowances of members of water boards; and the powers of water boards to appoint staff; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

(Afrikaans text signed by the State President.)
(Assented to 16 October 1974.)

BE IT ENACTED by the State President, the Senate and the House of Assembly of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:—

1. The following section is hereby inserted in the Water Act, 1956 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after section 108: Insertion of section 108A in Act 54 of 1956.

“Disestablishment of water boards.

108A. (1) The State President may, on the recommendation of the Minister after such enquiry as the Minister may think fit, by proclamation in the *Gazette* disestablish any water board.

(2) The provisions of section 78 (2) shall *mutatis mutandis* apply in respect of the disestablishment of a water board.”.

2. Section 109 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for subsection (7) of the following subsection: Amendment of section 109 of Act 54 of 1956, as amended by section 10 of Act 36 of 1971 and section 11 of Act 45 of 1972.

“(7) The Minister shall designate one of the members of a water board as chairman and one of such members as vice-chairman, and at any meeting of such board the chairman or, in his absence, the vice-chairman or, in the absence of both the chairman and the vice-chairman, another member of the board chosen by the members present shall preside, and if the chairman or the vice-chairman dies or resigns or becomes disqualified or is otherwise unable to serve as a member of the said board, the Minister shall designate another chairman or vice-chairman, as the case may be, and such chairman or vice-chairman shall serve as such for the remainder of the period for which his predecessor in office was so designated.”.

3. The following section is hereby inserted in the principal Act after section 109: Insertion of section 109A in Act 54 of 1956.

“Remuneration of members of water board.

109A. A member of a water board shall be paid, out of the funds of such board, such remuneration as may be determined by the Minister from time to time.”.

4. Section 110 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of the following paragraph: Amendment of section 110 of Act 54 of 1956.

“(b) to appoint such engineers, technical officers and other officers, workmen and servants as it may deem requisite at such salaries, wages and allowances as may, with the approval of the Minister, be prescribed by bylaws under section 136;”.

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5. Section 138 of the principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for paragraph (d) of the following paragraph: Amendment of section 138 of Act 54 of 1956.
“(d) the number of members which shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of any water board and the allowances which may be paid to the chairman or any other member;”.

6. This Act shall be called the Water Amendment Act, 1974. Short title.