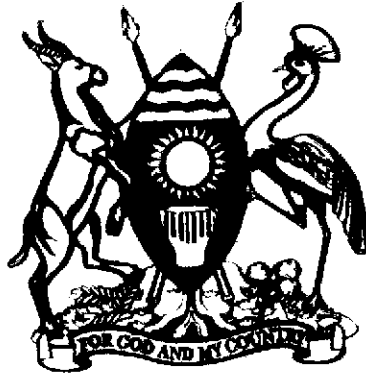


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President

Date of assent:..... *15/7/2024*

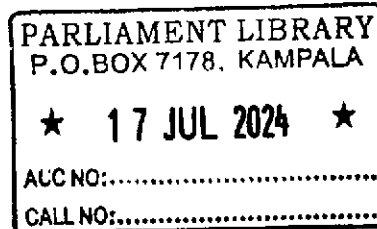
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**THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (AMENDMENT)
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An Act to amend the Persons with Disabilities Act, 2020, Act 3 of 2020 to dissolve the secretariat for the National Council for Persons with Disabilities and designate the National Secretariat for Special Interest Groups established under the National Women’s Council Act as the secretariat for the National Council for Persons with Disabilities in order to give effect to the Government Policy on Rationalisation of Government Agencies and Public Expenditure; and for related purposes.

DATE OF ASSENT:

Date of Commencement:

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

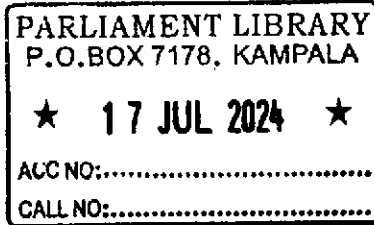
1. Commencement

This Act shall come into force on a date appointed by the Minister, by statutory instrument.

2. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

“agency” means a body established by an Act of Parliament and includes an authority;



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“commission” means a body established by the Constitution;

“Government” means the Government of Uganda; and

“Ministry” means the Ministry responsible for gender, labour and social development.

3. Objectives

(1) The main objective of this Act is to give effect to the Government Policy for Rationalisation of Government Agencies and Public Expenditure adopted by the Cabinet on 22nd February, 2021 and contained in Cabinet Minute No. 43(CT 2021).

(2) Without prejudice to the general effect of subsection (1), the following objectives shall be deemed to fall under the objective specified in that subsection—

- (a) the merging, mainstreaming and rationalisation of agencies, commissions, authorities and public expenditure, thereby, *inter alia*, relieving the Government of the financial drain on its resources and the burden of wasteful administration and expenditure;
- (b) the facilitation of efficient and effective service delivery by clearly delineating the mandates and functions of Government agencies and departments and thereby avoiding duplication of mandates and functions;
- (c) the promotion of coordinated administrative arrangements, policies and procedures for—
 - (i) ensuring the efficient and successful management, financial accounting and budgetary discipline of Government agencies and departments;
 - (ii) enabling the Government to play its proper role more effectively; and
 - (iii) enforcing accountability; and

- (d) the restructuring and reorganisation of agencies and departments of Government by eliminating bloated structures and functional ambiguities in Government agencies and departments.

4. Purpose of amendment of Act 3 of 2020

The purpose of amending the Persons with Disabilities Act, 2020 is to dissolve the secretariat for the National Council for Persons with Disabilities and designate the National Secretariat for Special Interest Groups established under the National Women's Council Act as the secretariat for the National Council for Persons with Disabilities.

5. Dissolution of secretariat for National Council for Persons with Disabilities

On the commencement of this Act, the secretariat for the National Council for Persons with Disabilities shall be dissolved.

6. Substitution of section 26 of Act 3 of 2020

Section 26 of the Persons with Disabilities Act, 2020, hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act", is substituted for the following—

"26. Secretariat

The National Secretariat for Special Interest Groups established under section 9 of the National Women's Council Act shall be the secretariat for the National Council for Persons with Disabilities."

7. Repeal of section 27 of principal Act

Section 27 of the principal Act is repealed.

8. Repeal of section 28 of principal Act

Section 28 of the principal Act is repealed.

9. Repeal of section 29 of principal Act

Section 29 of the principal Act is repealed.

10. Repeal of section 32 of principal Act

Section 32 of the principal Act is repealed.

11. Savings

(1) The staff of the council including the Executive Secretary serving immediately before the commencement of this Act shall be paid their terminal benefits in accordance with the terms and conditions of their service.

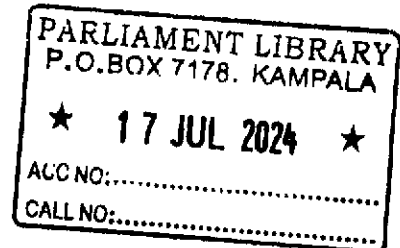
(2) The staff of the council serving immediately before the commencement of this Act may be redeployed to serve in the National Secretariat for Special Interest Groups subject to availability of positions.



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This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the bill which was passed by Parliament and found by me to be a true copy of the bill.

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Clerk to Parliament



Date of authentication: 3/5/2024