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The Parliament of Eswatini once again takes this opportunity to notify members of the public, individuals, stakeholders and organisations that the Portfolio Committee of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Energy will be conducting public hearings on The Farm Dwellers Control (Amendment) Bill, 2017, (Bill No. 08 of 2017).

The object of The Farm Dwellers (Amendment) Bill is to provide the extension of security of land to farm dwellers; the transfer of farm dwellers to another title deed land portion or Swazi Nation Land; additional rights of farm dwellers and farm owners; and the establishment of The Farm Dwellers Security Tenure Fund.

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development will also be conducting public hearings on The Fire, Rescue and Emergency Bill, 2020, (Bill No. 24 of 2020).

The object of The Fire, Rescue and Emergency Bill is to establish an Eswatini National Fire, Rescue and Emergency Service; provide for the appointment of a Chief Fire Officer and Deputy Chief Fire Officer; provide for discipline of Fire Officers; provide for structural inspections; repeal the National Fire and Emergency Service Order, 1975 and incidental matters.

Those who missed last year’s announcement, yet interested in making oral or written submissions are advised to call the Committee Clerk (Ms. Nonhlanhla Shabangu) on 2416 2409 (office) / email at noshabangu@yahoo.com / adminparl@swazi.net. The deadline for submissions is the 14th April, 2022 at 1600hrs.

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