

Money Bills and Related
Matters Act, 2009

(Act No. 9 of 2009)





### **Background**

- Gives effect to section 77(3) of the Constitution procedure to amend money Bills.
- Act came into operation on 16 April 2009.
- Review process started in May 2012.
- Money Bills Amendment Procedure and Related
   Matters Amendment Bill [B 28 2018] Act No 13 of
   2018 assented to and signed by President on 16
   January 2019.



#### Mechanisms

- Committees on Finance
- Committees on Appropriations
- Rules for procedures in committees
- Parliamentary Budget Office
- Norms and standards for provincial legislatures



# What is regulated?

- National macro-economic and fiscal policy, MTBPS;
- Fiscal framework, revised fiscal framework;
- Division of Revenue Bill, Appropriation Bill, Supplementary Appropriation Bills, Adjustments Appropriation Bill, and any other money Bill, incl. Tax Bills (i.e. revenue raising Bills) – but not the administrative Bills on Tax;
- Actual revenue published by the National Treasury
- Recommendations of the Financial and Fiscal Commission;
- Reports or statements on actual expenditure published by the National Treasury.



#### **Timeframes**

\*or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter (one of the matters amended)

- Fiscal Framework 16 days after tabling of budget\*.
- Division of Revenue 35 days after adoption of Fiscal Framework\*.
- Appropriation Bill Within 4 months after the start of the financial year.
- MTBPS 30 days after tabling\*.
- Revised Fiscal Framework 15 (Finance) and 30 days (Appropriations) after tabling of adjustments budget\*.
- Adjustments Appropriation Bill within 30 days after tabling of adjustments budget.\*



# Sequencing

Revenue Bill / Division of Revenue Framework / Amendment Bill

Division of

**Appropriation** Bill / Adjustments Appropriation Bill

Fiscal revised Fiscal Framework



#### **Amendments**

- 1. Consistency with -
  - principles of fiscal discipline (ss 8(5) & 11(3));
  - adopted fiscal framework / revised fiscal framework; and,
  - Division of Revenue (Amended) Bill as passed;
- 2. Compliance with requirements to motivate proposed amendments in report.
- 3. Consultation with Minister and other cabinet Members.
- 4. Amendments / Technical corrections by Minister (s 14).
- 5. Functions of PBO.



# Implications for budget cycle

- Budget cycle determined by Public Finance Management Act (ss 26 & 27).
- Annual cycle financial year.
- 4 month period to pass the Appropriation Bill linked to permissible expenditure prior to passing budget (s 29).
- Money Bills and Related Matters Act does not change the budget cycle.





Thank you