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# GENERAL NOTICE

# DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1998 (Act No. 97 of 1998)

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE NATIONAL SKILLS FUND

I, Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, Minister of Higher Education and Training, intend to promulgate the undermentioned draft regulations to prescribe the limit regarding the costs to administer the National Skills Fund, as required in section 28(2) of the Skills Development Act.

After consulting with the National Skills Authority (NSA) the draft regulations is hereby published in the Schedule for public comment.

Interested parties are invited to submit written comments on the proposed draft regulations before 30 days after publication date of this Notice by -

a) Posting comments to:

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Private Bag X174

Pretoria

b) Fax comments to:

The Executive Officer National Skills Authority Fax No.: 012 – 324 5713

c) Deliver comments to:

Sol Plaatjie Building Room 333, Third Floor 123 Schoeman Street

Pretoria

e) E-mail comments to: Mashongoane.T@doe.gov.za thabo.mashongoane@labour.gov.za;

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MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

## SCHEDULE

## **Definitions**

 In this Schedule, any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act or the Skills Development Levies Act, shall have the meaning so assigned and, unless the context otherwise indicates -

"Act" means the Skills Development Act, 1998 (as amended);

"Fund" means the National Skills Fund.

#### Costs to administer the Fund

- 2. (1) The Fund may not use more than 10 per cent of the money allocated to the Fund in terms of section 8(3)(a) of the Skills Development Levies Act for the administration of the Fund in respect of that financial year, as provided for in section 28(2) of the Act.
  - (2) The Fund may not use more than 10 per cent of the available reserves for non-recurring administrative expenses of the fund.
  - (3). In addition to subregulation (1), the Fund must defray the costs of the levy collection by the Commissioner, from the levies paid into the Fund, as determined in section 10 of the Skills Development Levies Act, 1999.
  - (3) For the purpose of subregulation (1) administration costs includes, but not limited to "payments" as determined by National Treasury from time to time in the Standard Chart of Accounts. In the Standard Chart of Accounts "payments" includes the following categories – a) Compensation of Employees; b) Goods and Services; c) Interest and rent on land; d) Financial transactions in assets and liabilities; and Purchase and construction of Capital Assets. The payment categories are defined and provided for in the Standard Chart of Accounts.