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

To amend the Repeal of the Black Administration Act and Amendment of Certain Laws Act, 2005, so as to substitute a date; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the current functions of traditional leaders relating to the administration of justice are regulated largely by some of the provisions of the Black Administration Act, 1927, which do not, in all respects, accord with constitutional imperatives;

AND WHEREAS national legislation has already been enacted to repeal the Black Administration Act, 1927, with effect from 30 September 2007;

AND WHEREAS comprehensive national legislation to regulate the functions of traditional leaders in the administration of justice should be informed by a policy framework, after the necessary consultation, particularly with the institution of traditional leadership;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to postpone the repeal of certain provisions of the Black Administration Act, 1927, pending the finalisation of the policy framework, the consultation process and the enactment of legislation to regulate the functions of traditional leaders in the administration of justice, in order to avoid a legal vacuum,

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:

Amendment of section 1 of Act 28 of 2005, as amended by section 1 of Act 8 of 2006

1. Section 1 of the Repeal of the Black Administration Act and Amendment of Certain Laws Act, 2005, is hereby amended by the substitution in subsection (3) for the date “30 September 2007”, of the date “30 June 2008”.

Short title and commencement

2. This Act is called the Repeal of the Black Administration Act and Amendment of Certain Laws Amendment Act, 2007, and comes into operation on 29 September 2007.