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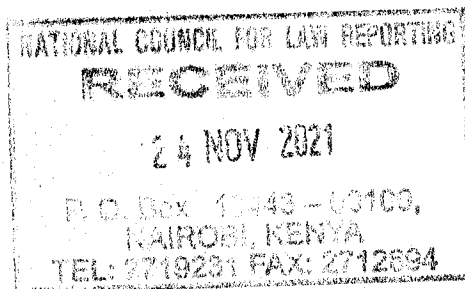
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THE GERIATRIC BILL, 2021

A Bill for

AN ACT of Parliament to give effect to Article 57 of the Constitution; to establish the National Council for Older Members of Society; to provide for the care, protection and empowerment of Older Members of Society; to provide for the maintenance of the well-being, safety and security of Older Members of Society, and for connected purposes

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya, as follows—

PART I—PRELIMINARY

1. This Act may be cited as the Geriatric Act, 2021.

Short title.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

Interpretation.

“abuse” means abuse of an older member of society as contemplated under this Act;

“assistive device” means an implement or tool provided to an older member of society to enable the older member of society carry on their day-to-day activities;

“basic service” includes provision of food, medical care, housing, sanitation, and water;

“Cabinet Secretary” means the Cabinet Secretary responsible for matters relating to older members of society;

“care” means physical, psychological, social, or material assistance provided to an older member of society, and includes services aimed at promoting the quality of life and general well-being of the older member of society;

“caregiver” means a person who provides care to older an older member of society;

“community-based care and support service” means any programme contemplated under section 27;

“department” means any department of the National Government or county governments responsible for matters relating to older members of society;

“home for the older members of society” means any building or premises maintained and used for the reception,