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THE ANTI-CORRUPTION AND ECONOMIC CRIMES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019

A Bill for

AN ACT of Parliament to amend the Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Act

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya, as follows-

1. This Act may be cited as the Anti-Corruption and Short title. Economic Crimes (Amendment) Act, 2019.

2. The Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Act (in this Act referred to as the "principal Act") is amended by inserting the following new section immediately after section 50-

Personal Liability for loss of public property

50A. (1) A person who is convicted of an offence of corruption or economic crime and who was involved in the management of a public company, institution or state organ that suffered pecuniary loss as a result of that corruption or economic crime shall be personally liable for such loss.

(2) A person who is personally liable under this section is jointly and severally liable in respect of losses incurred by the public company, institution or state organ with any other person who is so liable.

3. Section 64 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (1) by deleting the words "for ten years after the conviction" and substituting therefor the words "or a state officer".

Insertion of a new section into No. 3 of 2003.

Amendment of section 64 of No. 3 of 2003

MEMORANDUM OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Statement of Objects and Reasons for the Bill

The principal object of this Bill is to amend the Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Act to hold managers, Chief Executive Officers, Directors of public institutions personally liable for running down institutions. Further, it seeks to completely bar anyone convicted of an offence under the Act from holding office as a public or state officer.

Statement on the delegation of legislative powers and limitation of fundamental rights and freedoms

The Bill does not delegate legislative powers nor does it limit fundamental rights and freedoms.

Statement that the Bill does not concern County Governments

The Bill does not concern County Governments in terms of Article 110 (1) (a) of the Constitution and it does not affect the functions and powers of County Governments recognized in the Fourth Schedule to the Constitution.

Statement that the Bill is not a money Bill within the meaning of Article 114 of the Constitution

The enactment of this Bill will not occasion additional expenditure of public funds.

Dated the 11th October, 2019.

SILAS KIPKOECH TIREN, Member of Parliament.