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THE KENYA ACCREDITATION SERVICE BILL, 2018

A Bill for

AN ACT of Parliament to establish an accreditation system; establish the Kenya Accreditation Service; recognise the Service as the sole national accreditation body; and for connected matters

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya as follows -

PART I-PRELIMINARY

1. This Act may be cited as the Kenya Accreditation Short utle Service Act, 2018.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise Interpretation. requires -

"accreditation" means, in relation to a Conformity Assessment Body, an attestation by the Service that the conformity assessment body is competent to carry out specific conformity assessment tasks;

"accredited body" means an organisation or a facility that has been accredited by the Service;

"accreditation certificate' means a document or set of documents that states that accreditation has been granted to the conformity assessment body named in the documents, the conditions under which the accreditation has been granted and the scope of the accreditation;

"accreditation committee" means the accreditation committee established under section 9;

"accreditation mark" means the mark issued by the Service to be used by an accredited body to indicate that body's accreditation status;

"assessment" means the process undertaken by the Service to evaluate the competence of a conformity assessment body based on particular standards or other normative documents for a defined scope of accreditation;

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Service established under section 7;

"conformity assessment" means demonstration that specified requirements relating to a product, process, system, person or body have been fulfilled;