

REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

BILL FOR THE PUBLIC LAND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) ACT NO. OF 2025

Explanatory Note

This Bill amends the Public Land Transport Act No. 4 of 2015 (“the Act”).

Currently, the Public Land Transport Authority Board includes individuals who also operate transport businesses, creating significant conflicts of interest. This Bill reduces the composition of the Board from **10 members to 6**, comprising senior government officials without direct financial interests in the sector with only one representative from the Provincial Associations.

With this amendment, the new composition of the Board are as follows:

- Director of the Department of Local Authorities (Chairperson)
- Director of the Department of Tourism
- Director of Public Works
- Head of the Vanuatu Police Traffic Unit
- A representative nominated by the Minister of Internal Affairs
- Representative of Provincial Land Transport Associations

This change will reduce costs associated with board meetings and improve impartiality in decision-making and ensure Public Land Transport Authority oversee the proper management of land transport associations.

Minister of Internal Affairs



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An Act to amend the Public Land Transport Act No. 4 of 2015.

Be it enacted by the President and Parliament as follows-

1 Amendment

The Public Land Transport Act No. 4 of 2015 is amended as set out in the Schedule.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which it is published in the Gazette.

SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS OF PUBLIC LAND TRANSPORT ACT NO. 4 OF 2015

1 After paragraph 2(3)(b)

Insert

“(ba) Director of Department of Public Works; and”

2 Paragraph 2(3)(e)

Repeal the paragraph, substitute

“(e) a representative of the Provincial Land Transport Associations nominated and approved by all the Provincial Land Transport Associations.”

3 After subsection 2(3)

Insert

“(4) To avoid doubt, the representative under paragraph (3)(e) is 1 person who is to represent all the Provincial Land Transport Associations.”

4 Paragraph 8(3)(b)

Delete “7”, substitute “4”