

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

INDEPENDENT BROADCASTING AUTHORITY SECOND AMENDMENT BILL

(As introduced)

(Minister for Posts, Telecommunications and Broadcasting)

[B 49-96]

REPUBLIEK VAN SUID-AFRIKA

TWEEDE WYSIGINGSWETSONTWERP OP DIE ONAFHANKLIKE UITSAAI-OWERHEID

(Soos ingedien)

(Minister vir Pos-, Telekommunikasie- en Uitsaaiwese)

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**GENERAL EXPLANATORY NOTE:** Words underlined with a solid line indicate insertions in existing enactments.

**BILL**

**To amend the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, 1993, in order to authorize the Independent Broadcasting Authority to consider and grant an application for the issue of a licence for a private sound broadcasting service without the provisions of sections 41 and 42 of that Act having been complied with.**

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

**Insertion of section 42A in Act 153 of 1993**

**1.** The following section is hereby inserted in the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, 1993, after section 42:

**"Power of Authority with regard to consideration and grant of licence for private sound broadcasting service**

**42A.** The Authority may with the concurrence of the Minister consider and grant an application for the issue of a licence for a private sound broadcasting service without the provisions of sections 41 and 42 having been complied with."

**Short title**

2. This Act shall be called the Independent Broadcasting Authority Second Amendment Act, 1996.

**MEMORANDUM ON THE OBJECTS OF THE INDEPENDENT BROADCASTING  
AUTHORITY SECOND AMENDMENT BILL, 1996**

The object of the Bill is to pave the way for the expeditious sale and transfer of certain "regional radio stations" of the South African Broadcasting Corporation, referred to in section 2 of the Broadcasting Act, 1976 (Act No. 73 of 1976). To that end the Bill makes provision for the authorisation of the Independent Broadcasting Authority to consider and grant, with the concurrence of the Minister for Posts, Telecommunications and Broadcasting, an application for the issue of a licence for a private sound broadcasting service, without the provisions of sections 41 and 42 of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, 1993, having been complied with. The said sections lay down a procedure in connection with such an application which can be extremely time-consuming, hence the need to grant the said authorisation.