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## GENERAL NOTICE

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#### DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM

#### PUBLICATION OF EXPLANATORY SUMMARY OF THE DEEDS REGISTRIES AMENDMENT BILL, 2013

The Minister of Rural Development and Land Reform hereby gives notice in terms of Rule 241(1)(b) of the Rules of the National Assembly of Parliament that he intends to introduce the Deeds Registries Amendment Bill, 2013 in the National Assembly in 2013 and, in accordance with Rule 241(1)(c) of such Rules, publishes an explanatory summary of the Bill.

The Bill seeks to amend the Deeds Registries Act, 1937 (Act 47 of 1937), in order to provide discretion in respect of the rectification of errors in the name of a person or the description of property mentioned in deeds and other documents; to provide for the issuing of certificates of registered title taking the place of deeds that have become incomplete or unserviceable; to substitute an obsolete reference; to substitute an outdated heading; to delete reference to the repealed Agricultural Credit Act, 1966; to further regulate the updating of deeds in respect of the change of names of companies, close corporations and the surnames of women; and to amend a definition.

Copies of the Bill and the Memorandum on the Objects of the Bill can be obtained from:

The Chief Registrar of Deeds: Rural Development and Land Reform  
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