

**THE MINISTERS (PRESCRIBED NUMBER AND  
RESPONSIBILITIES) ACT, 2016**

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**ACT**

**No. 26 of 2016**

Date of Assent: 6th June, 2016

**An Act to prescribe the number of Ministers in accordance with Article 116 of the Constitution; and provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.**

[ 7th June, 2016

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

Enactment

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Ministers (Prescribed Number and Responsibilities) Act, 2016.

Short title

**2.** In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, words and terms used in this Act have the meaning assigned to them in the Constitution.

Interpretation

**3.** For purposes of Article 116 (1) of the Constitution, the number of Ministers to be appointed by the President shall not be more than thirty.

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**4.** Without prejudice to the generality of Article 116 (2) of the Constitution, a Minister is responsible for—

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(a) the business of Government in the National Assembly relating to the Minister's statutory functions or control and as assigned;

(b) the introduction and implementation of legislation, as assigned; and

(c) provision to the National Assembly of information and reports relating to matters under the Minister's statutory functions or control as the National Assembly requires.

**5.** The President may, by statutory instrument, make regulations to give effect to the provisions of this Act.

Regulations

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