Provincial Legislatures

Legislative authority of provinces

- 104. (1) The legislative authority of a province is vested in its provincial legislature, and confers on the provincial legislature the power—
 - (a) to pass a constitution for its province or to amend any constitution passed by it in terms of sections 142 and 143:
 - (b) to pass legislation for its province with regard to—
 - (i) any matter within a functional area listed in Schedule 4;
 - (ii) any matter within a functional area listed in Schedule 5;
 - (iii) any matter outside those functional areas, and that is expressly assigned to the province by national legislation; and
 - (iv) any matter for which a provision of the Constitution envisages the enactment of provincial legislation; and
 - (c) to assign any of its legislative powers to a Municipal Council in that province.
 - (2) The legislature of a province, by a resolution adopted with a supporting vote of at least two thirds of its members, may request Parliament to change the name of that province.
 - (3) A provincial legislature is bound only by the Constitution and, if it has passed a constitution for its province, also by that constitution, and must act in accordance with, and within the limits of, the Constitution and that provincial constitution.
 - (4) Provincial legislation with regard to a matter that is reasonably necessary for, or incidental to, the effective exercise of a power concerning any matter listed in Schedule 4, is for all purposes legislation with regard to a matter listed in Schedule 4.
 - (5) A provincial legislature may recommend to the National Assembly legislation concerning any matter outside the authority of that legislature, or in respect of which an Act of Parliament prevails over a provincial law.

Composition and election of provincial legislatures

- A a provincial legislature consists of women and men elected as members in terms of an electoral system that—
 - (a) is prescribed by national legislation;
 - (b) is based on that province's segment of the national common voters roll;