

- (3) All money Bills must be considered in accordance with the procedure established by section 75. An Act of Parliament must provide for a procedure to amend money Bills before Parliament.

[S. 77 substituted by s. 2 of the Constitution Seventh Amendment Act 2001.]

Mediation Committee

78. (1) The Mediation Committee consists of—
- (a) nine members of the National Assembly elected by the Assembly in accordance with a procedure that is prescribed by the rules and orders of the Assembly and results in the representation of parties in substantially the same proportion that the parties are represented in the Assembly; and
 - (b) one delegate from each provincial delegation in the National Council of Provinces, designated by the delegation.
- (2) The Mediation Committee has agreed on a version of a Bill, or decided a question, when that version, or one side of the question, is supported by—
- (a) at least five of the representatives of the National Assembly; and
 - (b) at least five of the representatives of the National Council of Provinces.

Assent to Bills

79. (1) The President must either assent to and sign a Bill passed in terms of this Chapter or, if the President has reservations about the constitutionality of the Bill, refer it back to the National Assembly for reconsideration.
- (2) The joint rules and orders must provide for the procedure for the reconsideration of a Bill by the National Assembly and the participation of the National Council of Provinces in the process.
- (3) The National Council of Provinces must participate in the reconsideration of a Bill that the President has referred back to the National Assembly if—
- (a) the President's reservations about the constitutionality of the Bill relate to a procedural matter that involves the Council; or
 - (b) section 74(1), (2) or (3)(b) or 76 was applicable in the passing of the Bill.
- (4) If, after reconsideration, a Bill fully accommodates the President's reservations, the President must assent to and sign the Bill; if not, the President must either—