National Council of Provinces

Composition of National Council

- (1) The National Council of Provinces is composed of a single delegation from each province consisting of ten delegates.
 - (2) The ten delegates are—
 - (a) four special delegates consisting of—
 - the Premier of the province or, if the Premier is not available, any member of the provincial legislature designated by the Premier either generally or for any specific business before the National Council of Provinces: and
 - (ii) three other special delegates; and
 - (b) six permanent delegates appointed in terms of section 61(2).
 - (3) The Premier of a province, or if the Premier is not available, a member of the province's delegation designated by the Premier, heads the delegation.

Allocation of delegates

- (1) Parties represented in a provincial legislature are entitled to delegates in the province's delegation in accordance with the formula set out in Part B of Schedule 3.
 - (2) (a) A provincial legislature must, within 30 days after the result of an election of that legislature is declared—
 - determine, in accordance with national legislation, how many of each party's delegates are to be permanent delegates and how many are to be special delegates; and
 - appoint the permanent delegates in accordance with the nominations of the parties.

(b)

[Para. (b) omitted by s. 1 of the Constitution Fourteenth Amendment Act of 2008.]

[Sub-s. (2) substituted by s. 1 of the Constitution Ninth Amendment Act of 2002 and by s. 1 of the Constitution Fourteenth Amendment Act of 2008.]

(3) The national legislation envisaged in subsection (2)(a) must ensure the participation of minority parties in both the permanent and special delegates' components of the delegation in a manner consistent with democracy.