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An Act to provide for matters connected with the office of Attorney-General established under section 98 of the Constitution.

Enacted by the Parliament of Lesotho.

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Office of Attorney-General Act 1994.

2. Principal legal advisor

The Attorney-General is the principal legal adviser to the Government of Lesotho.

3. Functions of the Attorney-General

In addition to the duties vested in the Attorney-General by the Constitution of Lesotho, the Attorney-General shall represent the Government of Lesotho in all legal proceedings in which the Government is a party.

4. Defence of matter at public expense

- (1) Where the Attorney-General is of the opinion that it is in the public interest to do so, he may direct that any matter before a court be defended at the expense of the State.
- (2) a direction under subsection (1) is authority for the withdrawal of money from the Consolidated Fund for that purpose.

5. Staff

- (1) In the exercise of his functions, the Attorney-General shall be assisted by staff appointed or employed under the Public Service Order 1970.
- (2) For the purposes of the Public Service Order 1970, the staff of the Attorney-General shall be regarded as a department called the Attorney-General's Chambers.

6. Legal cadre

- (1) Public officers whose duties include the provision of legal services to the Government or government agencies shall at all times be accountable to the Attorney-General in the discharge of those duties.

- (2) In respect of the provision of legal services to the Government or government agencies, the Attorney-General may issue general or special instructions to those officers referred to in subsection (1).

7. Repeal

The Office of Attorney-General Act 1985¹ and the Office of Attorney-General Order 1990² are repealed.

Notes

The explanatory memorandum to the Office of the Attorney-General Bill 1994 that was introduced into the National Assembly on 4th May 1994 is published as [Government Notice No. 48 of 1994](#).

1

Act [No. 6 of 1986](#)

2

Order No. 15 of 1990