

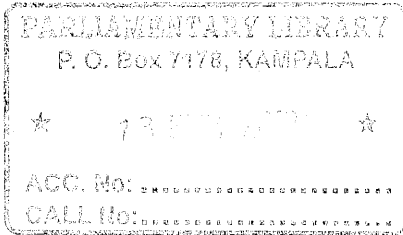
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Hon. MSC Ptanning



THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

Laid by Hon.
Matia Kasujja



CERTIFICATE

OF

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

(made under S.10 of the Budget Act)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the Bill, **THE BIOTECHNOLOGY AND BIO-SAFETY BILL, 2012**, has been examined as required under S.10 of the Budget Act. I wish to report as follows:

a) Background:

The proposed legislation is designed to fill the gaps in the provisions of the laws in Uganda such as the National Agricultural Research Organisation Act Cap.205 Vol.8, Plant Protection Act Cap.53 Vol.7 that have no comprehensive provision catering for Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs). The legislation shall guide import, development, export, transit, and release or placing on the market of any GMO.

b) That the Bill has the following objectives:

1. To facilitate responsible research and development in modern Bio-technology;
2. To ensure a safe and effective level of protection in the development, safe transfer, handling and use of GMOs that may pose a risk of harm to human health and/or the environment;
3. To establish a transparent and knowledge-based process for reviewing and making decisions on the transfer, handling and use of GMOs and related activities.

c) That it is expected to achieve the following outputs:

- i. A comprehensive and enhanced legislation to harness potential biotechnology benefits derived from GM-technology and protect the environment and human health from any potential risks that may result from application of modern biotechnology.

d) Funding and Budget Implications of the Bill:

Implementation of the Bill will be carried out within the already existing Government Policy and Institutional Structures and the Medium Term Expenditure Framework.

Submitted to Parliament under my hand



Maria Kiwanuka

MINISTER OF FINANCE, PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Received by :

Date :

