

## MEDIA STATEMENT

## Publication of COVID-19 Draft Tax Bills for public comment

Following the media statement issued by the Minister of Finance on 29 March 2020 on Tax Measures to Combat the COVID-19 pandemic, the National Treasury and the South African Revenue Service (SARS) today publish, for public comment, the 2020 Draft Disaster Management Tax Relief Bill and the 2020 Draft Disaster Management Tax Relief Administration Bill. These draft Bills provide the necessary legislative amendments required to implement the COVID-19 tax measures. The measures contained in these draft Bills will take effect on 1 April 2020.

The 2020 Draft Disaster Management Tax Relief Bill and the 2020 Draft Disaster Management Tax Relief Administration Bill as well as the Draft Explanatory Memorandum containing a comprehensive description of the proposed tax amendments regarding COVID-19 tax measures can be found on the National Treasury (www.treasury.gov.za) and SARS (www.sars.gov.za) websites.

## Due date for public comments

National Treasury and SARS hereby invite comments in writing on the 2020 Draft Disaster Management Tax Relief Bill and the 2020 Draft Disaster Management Tax Relief Administration Bill. Please forward written comments to the National Treasury's tax policy depository at 2020AnnexCProp@treasury.gov.za and Adele Collins at acollins@sars.gov.za by close of business on **15 April 2020**.

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