

Bill No. 3 of 2026

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2026
(Published on 2nd February, 2026)

MEMORANDUM

1. A draft of the above Bill, which it is intended to present to the National Assembly, is set out below.

2. The object of the Bill is to amend the Industrial Development Act (Cap. 43:01), as a consequence of the enactment of the Cannabis Act, by excluding manufacturing enterprises under the Cannabis Act from being regulated under the Industrial Development Act.

3. Clause 2 of the Bill therefore amends section 3 (2) of the Industrial Development Act by introducing a new paragraph to exclude any manufacturing enterprise licensed under the Cannabis Act from being regulated by the Industrial Development Act.

TIROEAONE NTSIMA,
Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship.

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

- 1. Short title and commencement
- 2. Amendment of section 3 of Cap. 43:01

A BILL
– entitled –

An Act to amend the Industrial Development Act.

Date of Assent:
Date of Commencement:
ENACTED by the Parliament of Botswana.

Short title and
commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Industrial Development (Amendment) Act, 2026, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by Order published in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment
of section 3
of Cap. 43:01
Act No. 20 of
2025

2. The Industrial Development Act is amended in section 3 (2) by inserting immediately after paragraph (d) the following new paragraph —
“(dA) any manufacturing enterprise licensed under the Cannabis Act;”.