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PARLIAMENT PASSES MINES AND MINERAL DEVELOPMENT ACT 2022

The Parliament of Sierra Leone has on Tuesday 09/08/2022 passed into law with some amendments the bill entitled, "The Mines and Minerals Development Act, 2022".

The bill seeks to repeal and replace the Mines and Mineral Act, 2009, to provide for the introduction of new and improved provisions for exploration, mines and Minerals development, sale, and export for the socio-economic benefits of the people of Sierra Leone, to provide for the facilitation of transparent and accountable management of the mineral sector by the international best practices, to provide for improved employment and employment practice; in the mineral sector; to provide improved welfare of communities affected by exploration, mining, and related activities to provide for more effective measures to reduce the harmful effects of exploration and mining activities on life, property, and the environment and to provide for other related matters.

The Minister of Mines and Mineral Resources Timothy Kabba piloted the passage of the Bill.

Earlier, Members of Parliament extensively debated the bill and sent it to the Legislative Committee for further scrutiny and amendments.

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