

Highlights of the ISK Statute and Land Administration Managers Bill.

a) ISK Bill,

The purpose of the ISK Statute is to introduce self-regulation amongst the land sector professional. Currently, the ISK Members are either regulated under Survey Act, Valuers Act or Estate Agents Act. These pieces of legislations provide for licensing and regulation of practice for professionals under each. However, the land and property sector has been infuriated by unqualified persons creating a bad image for the professionals. This is partly because the regulatory boards under the various Acts have not been able to adequately police the sector. Currently arrangement through goodwill between ISK and the Boards, but it will be mandatory once the Act is enacted.

ISK, through the proposal ISK bill, intends to introduce self-regulation amongst the land sector professionals in the Kenya. The bill will also seek to achieve the following;

- Establish ISK as a legal entity recognized by law and ensure that all professionals practicing under it are members
- Ensure ISK is involved by the Boards - Land Surveyors Board, Valuers Registration Board & Estate Agent Registration Board in process registering & licensing of Surveyors
- Improve on ISK Disciplinary powers to enforce a code of ethics for the sector

b) Land Administration Managers (LAMS) Bill

Land Administration Managers are the only ISK members who does not have a legislation that govern their practice. Subsequently, the functions of land administration have been taken up by brokers, who has caused much disrepute to the profession. There have been an increase in number of illegalities within the land sector characterized by fake titles and land grabbing among others. The bill once enacted will define their practice, functions and establish mechanism for the regulations and control of their professional practice.

It is expected that the LAMS shall have a legislation to among others, define their practice, functions and establish mechanism for the regulations and control of their professional practice. When enacted the Act will enhance professionalisms while also protecting the public from bogus professionals.