Consultation public entities Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba (Internet ENG)

Start consultation	January 9
End consultation	February 19
Proposal content	The draft regulation lays down further rules under the bill for the introduction of the Citizen Service Number (BSN) and the facilities of the digital government in Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba. The bill was submitted to the House of Representatives on 21 October 2024. This regulation will have to enter into force (partially) at the same time as the Act (intended to enter into force in mid-2025). The present draft regulation contains the amendments - at the level of a general administrative regulation - that are the direct result of this bill. These are changes to the Regulation on the Social Security Number, the Regulation on Basic Administrations of Personal Data BES (Besluit bap BES), the Regulation on digital accessibility to government (Tijdelijk besluit digitale toegankelijkheid overheid) and the Regulation on secure connection to government websites and web applications (Besluit beveiligde verbinding met overheidswebsites en - webapplicaties).
	• The amendment to the Regulation on the Citizen Service Number (Besluit burgerservicenummer) ensures that the rules that apply to Municipal Executive in connection with the granting and use of the BSN will apply mutatis mutandis to the Executive Council of the public entities. These include rules on connecting to the central BSN facilities.
	• The amendment of the Basic Administrations Personal Records (Bap) BES Regulation (Besluit Bap BES) is particularly necessary in order to lay down further rules on the implementation of the self-assessment by the Executive Council. Like the municipalities, the public entities are legally obliged to carry out periodic investigations with regard to the basic administration into the design, operation and security of the technical provision, as well as into the accuracy of the data processing (maintenance and provision). The Bap BES Regulation stipulates, among other things, that the self-assessment is carried out annually with an evaluation tool made available by the minister of BZK.
	• The most important change in the Personal Records Database (BRP) Regulation (Besluit BRP) is the further elaboration of the data about the citizens of Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba that will be registered in the BRP.
	• The Temporary Regulation on digital accessibility contains specific requirements for the accessibility of websites and mobile applications of the public entities, in accordance with the applicable European Directive. The draft regulation stipulates that websites and applications of governments in Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba must comply with this standard by 1 January 2030. The consultation is intended to test this date for feasibility (practicability). As a result of the consultation, the date can be adjusted accordingly.
	• In the Regulation on secure connection to government websites and web applications, the application of the information security standards HTTPS and HSTS is mandatory for publicly accessible websites of government entities. This will also apply to government

	entities in Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba. The decision itself does not set a deadline for this. The exact date of entry into force of this Regulation should be further examined. The consultation is intended to gain more insight into a feasible/practicable date.
Relevant consequences for Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba	The Executive Council is responsible for including the BSN in the Bap BES (Piva) and for passing on new registrations into their Bap BES to the Minister of BZK. The amendments to the Temporary Regulation on digital accessibility and the Regulation on secure connection to government websites and web applications affect the government organisations in the public sector bodies whose websites and mobile applications must comply with the standards prescribed in these regulations. See further under 'Proposal content'.
Relevant articles or passages	The entire Regulation concerns Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba. See further under 'Proposal content'.
Finance (consequences and reception thereof)	A financial contribution from the government program Work on Implementation (WAU) has been realised for the implementation of this above-mentioned legislative proposal. In addition to the introduction of BSN, this funding is also intended to support BES census departments and to introduce quality measures for population registration.
	Pursuant to Article 2 in conjunction with Article 44 of the BES Personal Data Protection Act, the Commission Supervision Personal Data Protection BES (CBP BES) is already responsible for overseeing the processing of the BSN by the public entities and other users in Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba.