

I assent,
C. C. WOOLLEY,

Governor.

6th March, 1952.

ORDINANCE No. 2 OF 1952.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Legislative Council (Elections) Ordinance, 1945, with respect to the qualification of voters and for purposes connected therewith.

[8th March, 1952.]

A. D. 1952. BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of British Guiana, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Legislative Council (Elections) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1952, and shall be construed and read as one with the Legislative Council (Elections) Ordinance, 1945, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

Repeal and re-enactment of section 3 of the Principal Ordinance. 2. Section three of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor —

“Qualifications of voters. 3. (1) Subject to the provisions of section four of this Ordinance any person shall be entitled to be registered as a voter in any one electoral district if he —

(a) is a British subject of the age of twenty-one years or upwards and is not subject to any legal incapacity; and

- (b) has resided in the Colony for a period of at least two years immediately before the date of registration or is domiciled in the Colony and is resident therein at that date; and
- (c) has resided in the electoral district in which he claims to be registered for a period of at least three months immediately before the date of registration.

(2) No person shall be registered as a voter in any electoral district who is not entitled to be so registered under the provisions of this Ordinance.

(3) For the purposes of this section —

- (a) residence in the Colony shall not be deemed to be interrupted by temporary absence from the Colony;
- (b) residence in an electoral district shall not be deemed to be interrupted —
 - (i) by any removal to another place of residence within the electoral district, or
 - (ii) by temporary absence from the electoral district, or
 - (iii) by reason only of notice to quit being served and possession being demanded by the landlord of the house."

3. Paragraph (a) of section four of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed.

Repeal of paragraph (a) of section 4 of the Principal Ordinance.

4. Subsection (2) of section nine of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed and the following substituted therefor —
 “(2) Where an electoral district is divided into registration areas, the Register of Voters for the district shall contain as many parts as there are registration areas, and the several parts shall together constitute the Register of Voters for the electoral district.”

Amendment of section 9 of the Principal Ordinance.

5. Section five of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed.

Repeal of section 5 of the Principal Ordinance.

6. This Ordinance shall come into operation on such day as the Governor shall, by proclamation published in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Date of commencement of Ordinance.