



GUYANA

Act No. 2 of 2001

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) ACT 2001

I assent.

Bharrat Jagdeo
President.
14th February, 2001

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of the Principal Act.

AN ACT to amend the Representation of the People Act.

A.D. 2001

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title.

1. This Act, which amends the Representation of the

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People Act, may be cited as the Representation of the People

(Amendment) (No. 2) Act 2001.

Amendment
of the
Principal Act.2. The Principal Act is hereby amended in the following
respects -

- (a) in section 11A,
 - (i) by the substitution for the word “sixty-five”
in subsection (1) of the words “at least sixty-
five”;
 - (ii) by the deletion of the word “forty” in subsection
(5);
- (b) in section 11C,
 - (i) by the substitution for the words “For the
country” in subsection (3) of the words “Subject
to the proviso to subsection (5) for the country”;
 - (ii) by the substitution for the full-stop at the end
of subsection (5) of a colon and by the insertion
thereto of the following proviso-

“Provided that in the event that the arithmetical calculations of total seats allocated to a party for membership of the National Assembly in accordance with subsection (3) produce the result that a party is allocated a fewer number of seats than those it has already obtained on the basis of the calculations that are in accordance with subsection (2), the allocations based on the distribution of sixty-five seats shall be made; the number of geographical constituency seats already allocated to parties shall not be changed, thereby maintaining the total number of geographical constituency seats at twenty-five; the total number of elected members of the National Assembly shall be increased to accommodate the allocations of the number of non-geographical members and no further calculation based on the increased size of the Assembly shall be done.”;

- (c) in section 12 -
- (i) by re-numbering the said section as subsection (1) thereof;
 - (ii) by the insertion immediately after subsection (1) as so re-numbered of the following subsection -

“(2) Notwithstanding anything in this Act or in any other written law-

- (i) the provisions of subsection (1) shall apply mutatis mutandis to the national top-up list;
- (ii) the representative and deputy representative of the national top-up list may serve as representative and deputy representative of -
 - (a) each of the lists for the ten geographical constituencies: and
 - (b) each of the lists for the ten regional democratic councils.”;
- (d) by the substitution for subsections (5) and (6) of section 62A, of the following subsections -

“(5) The Elections Commission shall in respect of each geographical constituency publish the names of polling stations in each polling district where

the sealed envelopes with the cast ballots shall be sent by the Returning Officer for the votes to be cast at such polling stations before the close of poll.

(6) In the presence of the polling agents the presiding officer shall verify and record the number of envelopes with the cast ballots before casting the ballots contained in the envelopes at each polling station.”;

- (e) by the deletion of the words ‘and each such ballot paper shall be stamped by the Chief Election Officer with the words “DISCIPLINED FORCES”’ in section 65K(2).

Passed by the National Assembly on 13th February, 2001



F.A. NARAIN
Clerk of the National Assembly

(Bill No. 1/2001)