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**LEGAL SUPPLEMENT — C**

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**BILL No. 2 of 2001**

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The following Bill which will be introduced in the National Assembly is published for general information.

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**GUYANA**

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**CONSTITUTION (AMENDMENT) (No. 2) BILL 2001**

**ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

**SECTION**

1. Short title.
2. Alteration of article 159 of the Constitution.

A Bill  
Intituled

AN ACT to alter the Constitution in accordance with articles 66 and 164.

A.D. 2001. Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title. 1. This Act may be cited as the Constitution (Amendment) (No. 1) Act 2001.

Alteration of article 159 of the Constitution. 2. Article 159 of the Constitution is hereby altered in the following respects -

(a) in paragraph (2) -

(i) by the substitution for the full stop at the end of the words "; and";

(ii) by the insertion of the following subparagraph as subparagraph (c) -

"(c) satisfies such other qualifications as may be prescribed by or under any law.";

(b) during the period commencing on the date on which the Constitution (Amendment) (No. 1) Act 2001 comes into operation and ending on the expiry of three months from the date of the next General Election article 159 of the Constitution shall have effect as if there were inserted the following paragraph as paragraph (3) -

"(3) Notwithstanding that any person has been registered as an elector, the Elections Commission under the power conferred on it by or under any written law shall not enter the name of such person on the official list of electors where the person has failed to comply with the requirements of the relevant provisions of any such written law in order to be placed on the said list and such person shall not be qualified to vote for elections."

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to alter article 159 of the Constitution to provide that in addition to the qualifications specified therein, other qualifications may be prescribed by any law.

The Bill also seeks to alter article 159 of the Constitution to insert a new temporary paragraph (3) to provide that where a person has failed to comply with the requisite provision in order to be placed on the official list of electors, the Elections Commission shall have the authority to exclude his name therefrom.

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