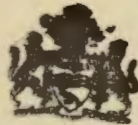


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GUYANA

BILL No. 32 of 1992

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (POSTPONEMENT OF ELECTIONS) BILL 1992

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 7 of the Principal Act.
3. Validation of acts.

A BILL

Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Local Authorities (Elections) (Amendment) Act to provide for the postponement of elections of councillors of municipal councils.

A. D. 1992

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short title.

No. 10 of 1990

Amendment of section 7 of the Principal Act.

Validation of acts.

1. This Act, which amends the Local Authorities (Elections) (Amendment) Act 1990, may be cited as the Local Authorities (Postponement of Elections) Act 1992 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 1st December, 1992.

2. Section 7 (1) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after paragraph (b), of the following paragraph as paragraph (c) —

“(c) where the Minister is satisfied on the advice of the Commission, that it is impracticable to comply with the provisions of this section he may, at any time by order, vary any date prescribed in this section for the holding of an election to a later date within twelve months from the prescribed date, and every person who is a councillor, including the Mayor or the Deputy Mayor on the prescribed date for the holding of elections shall continue in, and discharge the functions of his, office until his successor enter upon the duties of his office.”.

3. All acts done or purported to be done by a municipal council and the members, including the Mayor and Deputy Mayor thereof, who continue in office in consequence of the provisions of an order made under section 7 (1) (c) of the Principal Act, shall be deemed to be lawfully and validly done and every such council and members thereof, including the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, shall be discharged and indemnified against all persons from all legal proceedings in respect of, or consequent on, such acts.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Local Authorities (Elections) (Amendment) Act 1990 (No. 10 of 1990).

Clause 2 empowers the Minister by order to postpone municipal elections where the Minister is satisfied, on the advice of the Elections Commission, that compliance with the prescribed date in the Principal Act for the holding of such elections is impracticable; every councillor including the Mayor or the

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Deputy Mayor, shall continue in office until the members of the new council enter upon the duties of their office.

Clause 3 validates acts of the council and members thereof done during their continuance in office and indemnifies the council and members thereof from all legal proceedings in respect of such acts.

SAMUEL A. HINDS,
Prime Minister
Minister of Public Works, Communications
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