

BILL No. 8 of 1996*Thursday, 25th April, 1996*

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

F. A. Narain,
Clerk of the National Assembly.

**GUYANA****BILL No. 8 OF 1996****FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1996****ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS****SECTION**

1. Short Title.
2. Amendment of section 9 of the Principal Act.

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A Bill

Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Financial Institutions Act 1995.

A.D. 1996.

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short title.
Act
No. 1 of
1995:

1. This Act, which amends the Financial Institutions Act 1995, may be cited as the Financial Institutions (Amendment) Act 1996.

Amendment
of section
the Principal
Act:

2. Section 9 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after subsection (11) of the following subsections —

“(12) No person who has acquired control of a licensed financial institution which accepts deposits shall be allowed to acquire control of another such licensed financial institution.

(13) No person shall be allowed to acquire shares, directly or indirectly through related persons, in one or more licensed financial institution incorporated in Guyana and which accepts deposits, in excess of twenty percent of the total paid-up capital of all such licensed financial institutions, except for the purpose of participating in the capital expansion of the licensed financial institution in which such person has acquired control.”

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Financial Institutions Act 1995 (No. 1 of 1995), to promote diffusion of ownership in the financial system by prohibiting any person who has already acquired control of a licensed financial institution which accepts deposits from acquiring control of another such licensed financial institution.

Further, a person shall not be allowed to acquire shares in one or more licensed financial institution which accepts deposits, in excess of twenty per cent of the total paid-up capital of all such licensed financial institutions incorporated in Guyana, except for the purpose of participating in the capital expansion of the licensed financial institution in which such person has acquired control.

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