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Public Buildings,
Georgetown,
Guyana.

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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. 11 OF 1980

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1980

ARRANGEMENTS OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 46 of the Principal Act.
3. Amendment of section 49 of the Principal Act.
4. Insertion of section 49A in the Principal Act.
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A BILL

Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Registration of Births and Deaths Act.

A.D. 1980 Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short title.
Cap. 44:01

1. This Act, which amends the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, may be cited as the Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Act 1980.

Amendment
of section
46 of the
Principal
Act.

2. Section 46 (3) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution of a colon for the full stop at the end thereof and by the insertion of the following proviso thereto —

Provided that the Registrar General may direct a superintendent registrar to keep the register books with the records of his office in order to cause indices to be made for the purpose of issuing a certified extract from any entry therein and, notwithstanding the provisions of the Act, to make any such correction or entry therein as the Registrar General is authorised to make and to inform the Registrar General thereof.

Amendment
of section
49 of the
Principal
Act.

3. Section 49(1) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion of the words “in his possession” after the words “original registers”.

Insertion
of section
49A in the
Principal
Act.

4. The Principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion in Part V of the following section after section 49 as section 49A —

“Searches of
indices kept
by superin-
tendent
registrar.

49A. (1) Every superintendent registrar directed by the Registrar General to keep the register books shall cause indices thereof to be made and kept with the other records of his office, and the Registrar General shall supply to every such superintendent registrar suitable forms for the making of the indices.

(2) Any person shall be entitled at any time when the superintendent registrar's office is open for the transaction of public business to search the said indices, and to have a certified copy of any entry in the said registers under the hand of the superintendent registrar.

(3) For every general search of the indices there shall be paid the sum of five dollars, and for every particular search the sum of twenty-five cents, and for every certified extract the sum of sixty cents:

Provided that no sum shall be payable for a search where a person supplied the correct name, date and place of birth thereby enabling any entry or entries in any register aforesaid to be traced from the information supplied.”.

5. Section 50 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed.

**Repeal of
Section 50
of the
Principal
Act.**

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to empower those superintendent registrars authorised to do so by the Registrar General to keep the register books delivered to them by the registrars of registration divisions and to issue therefrom certified copies of certificates of births and deaths in their registration districts.

The exercise of this power by the superintendent registrars would result in persons in the outlying areas easily and speedily obtaining certified copies of certificates of births and deaths. Such persons would no longer have to apply to the Registrar General's Office in Georgetown for such copies but would be able to obtain them in their own districts from the superintendent registrars.

C. V. Mingo,
Minister of Home Affairs.

(Bill No. 11/1980)
(HA: 20/3/4)