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GUYANA

BILL No. 8 of 1982

PUBLIC CORPORATIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1982

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Insertion of new section 3A in the Principal Act.
3. Amendment of section 15 of the Principal Act.

A BILL

Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Public Corporations Act.

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short title.
Cap. 19:05

This Act, which amends the Public Corporations Act, may be cited as the Public Corporations (Amendment) Act 1982.

insertion of
new section
3A in the
Principal
Act

2. The Principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion, after section 3, of the following section as section 3A

“Exercise
of functions
of the
Minister by
certain
other
persons.

3A. Where there is a Minister who is assigned responsibility to assist the Minister as defined in section 2 in matters relating to public corporations generally or relating to the Guyana State Corporation (the first mentioned Minister hereinafter being referred to as the “Minister assisting”) or, where there is no Minister assisting but there is another Minister specified by the President for the purposes of this section (hereinafter referred to as the “specified Minister”), such Minister assisting or specified Minister shall —

- (i) if the Minister as so defined is absent at any meeting of the Guyana State Corporation, preside at such meeting; and
- (ii) exercise such other functions as may be specified by the President, being functions conferred on the President of the Guyana State Corporation by this Act or any other law for the time being in force.”

Amendment
of section
15 of the
Principal
Act

3. Section 15 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects —

- (a) by the deletion, in subsection (2) (a), of the words “and he shall be the Chairman of the Corporation”;
- (b) by the deletion, in subsection (2), of paragraph (e) and the substitution of the following paragraph therefor —
 - “(e) such number of other persons, from among persons appearing to the President of

the Guyana State Corporation to be qualified as having had experience of; and shown capacity in, commerce, banking, finance, science, education and social welfare or administration, as in the opinion of the President of the Guyana State Corporation, are necessary or desirable to facilitate the proper functioning of the corporation, to be appointed by the President of the Guyana State Corporation.”;

- (c) by the deletion of subsection (3) and the substitution of the following subsections therefor —

“(3) The member of the corporation mentioned in subsection (2) (a) shall be the chairman of the corporation and the member of the corporation mentioned in subsection (2) (b) shall be the deputy chairman of the corporation unless the Minister appoints a chairman or a deputy chairman, as the case may be, of the corporation under subsection (3A).

(3A) The Minister may appoint any of the members of the corporation appointed under subsection (2) (e) as the chairman or deputy chairman of the corporation.”.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Public Corporation Act, Cap. 19:05, so as to enable a Minister assigned responsibility to assist the Minister, who is the President of the Guyana State Corporation, or, in the absence of any such Minister assisting, any other Minister specified by the President, to perform specified functions of the President of that Corporation.

The Bill also seeks to amend the Act so as to increase the number of the persons with the relevant expertise who could be appointed as members of a public corporation, established under section 46 of the Act, from one persons who are not employees of the corporation, and to empower the Minister to appoint any such member as chairman or deputy chairman of the corporation.

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(Bill No. 8/1982)

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