

# **GUYANA**

BILL No. 15 of 1976

# REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1976 ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

## **SECTION**

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#### A BILL

### Intituled

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

A.D. 1976 - Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana: —

Short title and commencement Cop. 44:01

- 1. (1) This Act, which amends the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, may be cited as the Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Act 1976.
- (2) This Act, shall be deemed to apply with respect to and from births occurring on or after 26th May, 1966.

Amendment of the long title to the Principal Act

2. The long title to the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "in" of the words "of citizens of".

Amendment of the Principal Act.

3. The Principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after Part V of the following provision as Part VI

#### "Part VI

### Registration of Births and Deaths Abroad

- 65A. (1) The Minister may by regulations make provision generally for the carrying into effect the purposes of this Act, and in particular  $\,$ 
  - (a) for the registration of the births and deaths of citizens of Guyana born or dying in a place outside Guyana by consular officers or other officers in the foreign service of Guyana as may be designated by notice published in the Gazette by the Minister responsible for Foreign Affairs;
  - (b) for enabling the births and deaths of citizens of Guyana born or dying in any country in which the Government of Guyana has for the time being no diplomatic or consular representatives to be registered by persons serving in the diplomatic, consular or other foreign service of any country which, by arrangement with the Government of Guyana, has undertaken to represent that Government's interest in that country, or by a per-



- son authorised in that behalf by the Minister responsible for Foreign Affairs, notice of which has been published in the Gazette;
- (c) for requiring the payment of such fees as the Minister sees fit for the carrying out of the duties imposed by regulations made for the purposes of paragraphs (a) and (b).
- (2) The foregoing provisions of this Act (including those of any other enactment which applies to anything done under this Act) shall apply to births and deaths registered in accordance with regulations made under paragrap (a) and (b) of subsection (1), subject to such adaptations and modifications as the Minister may by order provide."

### **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

The Government of Guyana considers it desirable to effect the registration of the births and deaths of those citizens of Guyana who born or die outside of Guyana. Accordingly, this Bill seeks to enable the Minister to make regulations for the purpose and to apply the other provisions of the Registration of Births and Deaths Act (Chapter 44:01) for the purposes of such registration.

C. V. Mingo, Minister of Home Affairs.

(Bill No. 15/1976).