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BILL No. 42 of 2009

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BILL No. 42 of 2009

FIRES AND CASUALTIES INQUIRY (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

## SECTION

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Amendment of section 2 of the Principal Act.

## A BILL Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Fires and Casualties Inquiry Act.

A.D. 2009. Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:

Short title. Cap. 22:03 1. This Act, which amends the Fires and Casualties Inquiry Act, may be cited as the Fires and Casualties Inquiry (Amendment) Act 2009.

Amendment of section 2 of the Principal Act.

- 2. Section 2 of the Principal Act is amended as follows -
  - (a) by renumbering it as subsection (1) of section 2;
  - (b) by the insertion after subsection (1) so renumbered of the following as subsection (2) -

"(2) An inquiry under subsection (1) into any fire casualty shall be held where a report from an investigation conducted by the Guyana Fire Service discloses sufficient reasons for the holding of an inquiry."

## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Bill seeks to amend the Fires and Casualties Inquiry Act (Cap. 22:03).

Clause 1 sets out the short title of the Bill.

Clause 2 seeks to amend section 2 of the Act by renumbering it as subsection (1). It inserts a new subsection, which provides that a magistrate shall hold a public inquiry into any fire casualty where the report from an investigation by the Guyana Fire Service discloses sufficient reasons for holding an inquiry.

Minister of Home Affairs.