BILL No. 47 of 2009

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S.E. Isaacs, Clerk of the National Assembly.



#### **GUYANA**

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## LOCAL AUTHORITIES (ELECTIONS) (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) BILL 2009

### ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

#### SECTION

- 1. Short title and commencement.
- 2. Amendment of section 36A of the Principal Act.
- 3. Mayors, Deputy Mayors, etc.

### A BILL Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Local Authorities (Elections) Act to provide for the postponement of elections of councillors of local democratic organs.

A.D. 2009

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title and commencement Cap. 28:03

 This Act, which amends Local Authorities (Elections) Act, may be cited as the Local Authorities (Elections) (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 2009 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2009.

Amendment of section 36A of the Principal Act. 2. Section 36A (1) of the Principal Act is amended by the substitution for the words "twelve years" of the words "thirteen years", and this amendment shall apply only to the next local government elections to elect members of the local democratic organs now to be held on or before 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2010 in consequence of this amendment.

Mayors, Deputy Mayors, etc. 3. Notwithstanding anything in section 2 or in any other provision of the Principal Act, the Minister may on request of a local democratic organ or on his instructions authorize the holding of election at any time for the election of a Mayor, Deputy Mayor or a Chairman or a Deputy Chairman of a local democratic organ.

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# **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Bill seeks to extend the date on which local government elections may be held. Local government elections are now to be held on or before 1st December, 2010.

The Minister may in certain circumstances authorize the holding of elections at any time for election of a Mayor, Deputy Mayor or Chairman or a Deputy Chairman of a local democratic organ.

Minister of Local Government

and Regional Development.