

**BILL No. 16 of 2011**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2011

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The following Bill which will be introduced in the National Assembly is published for general information.

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**GUYANA**

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**MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL 2011**

**ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

**SECTION**

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 2 of the Principal Act.
3. Insertion of new section 47A in the Principal Act.



**A BILL**  
**Intituled**

**AN ACT to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act.**

A.D. 2011                      Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title.                      1.    This Act, which amends the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, may be  
Cap. 51:02                      cited as the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 2011.

Amendment of                      2.    Section 2 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after  
section 2 of the                      definition of "traffic", the following definition -  
Principal Act.  
Cap. 51:02

"traffic warden" means a person appointed in accordance with the  
provisions of section 47A;".

Insertion of a                      3.    The Principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 47  
new section 47A                      the following as section 47A -  
in the Principal  
Act.

"Traffic  
wardens.

47A. (1) The Commissioner of Police may, with the  
approval of the Minister, appoint in writing any  
person as a traffic warden.

(2) The Minister may by notice determine the criteria  
for the appointment of a person as a traffic  
warden.

(3) The functions of a traffic warden shall be to -

(a) assist members of the Police Force in the  
control and regulation of road traffic or in  
the enforcement of the law relating to road  
traffic; and

(b) perform duties in accordance with section 8  
of the Summary Jurisdiction (Procedure)  
Act.

Cap. 10:02

(4) Any references in section 8 of the Summary  
Jurisdiction (Procedure) Act to member of the  
Police Force or police constable shall include a  
reference to a traffic warden.



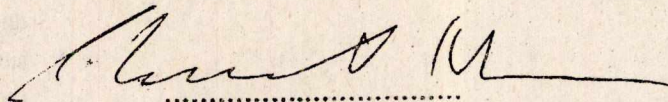
- (5) A traffic warden shall, while in the execution of his duty, wear the uniform as the Commissioner of Police, with the approval of the Minister, directs and shall perform the duties of a traffic warden only when in uniform.
- (6) A driver who -
- (a) fails to comply with the directions given by a traffic warden:
  - (b) obstructs a traffic warden in the execution of his duty; or
  - (c) aids or incites any other person not to comply with the directions of a traffic warden while on duty or to obstruct a traffic warden in the execution of his duty, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of thirty thousand dollars and to imprisonment for a period of six months.



**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Bill seeks to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, Cap 51:02, by the insertion of a new section 47A which empowers the Commissioner of Police with the approval of the Minister to appoint a person as a traffic warden.

The functions of a traffic warden are to assist members of the Police Force in the control and regulation of traffic and in the enforcement of the law relating to road traffic. A traffic warden may issue traffic tickets and to perform duties similar to that of a member of the Police Force in pursuant to section 8 of the Summary Jurisdiction (Procedure) Act, Cap. 10:02.



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**Minister of Home Affairs.**