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## GUYANA

BILL No. 6 of 1982

GEORGETOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (AMENDMENT) BILL 1982

### ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

#### Section

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of Long Title of Principal Act.
3. Amendment of sections 2 and 3 (1) of Principal Act.
4. Amendment of section 3 (2) of Principal Act.
5. Repeal and re-enactment of section 6 of Principal Act.
6. Repeal and re-enactment of section 17 of Principal Act.

## A BILL

## Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce Act.

A.D. 1982

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short title.  
Cap. 89:03

1. (1) This Act, which amends the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce Act, may be cited as the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce (Amendment) Act 1982.

(2) As from the commencement of this Act, the Principal Act may be cited as the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry Act and section 1 of the Principal Act shall have effect accordingly.

Amendment  
of Long Title  
of Principal  
Act.

2. The Long Title of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion of the words "and Industry" immediately after the word "Commerce".

Amendment  
of sections 2  
and 3(1) of  
Principal  
Act.

3. Sections 2 and 3(1) of the Principal Act are hereby amended by the insertion of the words "and Industry" immediately after the word "Commerce".

Amendment  
of section 3  
(2) of Prin-  
cipal Act.

4. Section 3(2) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "and holding" of the words "holding, disposing of or charging".

Repeal and  
re-enactment  
of section 6  
of the Prin-  
cipal Act.

5. Section 6 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor —

"Change of  
name not to  
affect rights  
or obligations.

6. The objects of the Chamber are —

- (a) the promotion and protection in Guyana of trade and services, local, regional and foreign;
- (b) to promote and encourage the development in Guyana of primary industries and manufacturing and processing operations with the use as far as possible of local raw materials and expertise and the application of modern and efficient methods of maintenance, standards of safety and labour relations;
- (c) to encourage adherence by manufacturers to proper qualitative standards in their products;

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- (d) to promote within and outside Guyana by means of advertisement, trade fairs and in any other manner, the consumption and the use of goods manufactured or produced in Guyana;
- (e) to assist in the procurement of overseas markets for goods produced in Guyana;
- (f) to collect and disseminate statistical and other information relating to commerce, trade, manufacture and industry;
- (g) to use its good offices in the settlement of disputes involving members of the local commercial and industrial community;
- (h) to consider all matters connected with trade, manufacture, industry and commerce, and where appropriate, to make representations and express an opinion or take a position on any such matters;
- (i) to initiate, promote or to comment on actual or proposed legislative, regulatory or administrative measures affecting trade, manufacture or industry and to communicate or co-operate with the appropriate governmental institutions in respect of such measures;
- (j) to encourage generally but more particularly among the membership, the adherence to ethical standards in trade, manufacture, industry and commerce and to aid and support in any manner other associations or bodies having objects similar to those of the Chamber;
- (k) to amalgamate or affiliate with any institution having objects similar to those of the Chamber, and in the event of an amalgamation to transfer the property of the Chamber to any such institution; and
- (l) to do all such things as may be requisite and necessary for the attainment of the objects of the Chamber, including the receiving and donating of gifts, investing the income and funds of the Chamber, and the borrowing of money.”

Repeal and re-enactment of section 17 of Principal Act.

6. Section 17 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor —

“Change of name not to affect rights or obligations.”

17. (1) The change of name of the Chamber effected by the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce (Amendment) Act 1982 shall not prejudice or affect any rights or obligations of the Chamber, or anything which remains to be done or forborne to be done under or by virtue of its previous name, and the Chamber may exercise in its new name all its existing rights, power and privileges, and any pending legal proceedings may be continued by or against the Chamber.

(2) Any reference to the Chamber by its previous name in any law, instrument or document of any kind shall be construed as a reference to the Chamber by its new name.”

### EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce Act, Cap. 89:03, to reflect the role which the Chamber expects to play in the development of Guyana. Clause 2 of the Bill seeks to change the name of the Chamber to that of the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Clause 5 seeks to repeal and re-enact section 6 of the existing Act to extend the objects of the Chamber.

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