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## **GUYANA**

**BILL No. 13 of 1986**

**LOCAL DEMOCRATIC ORGANS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1986**

### **ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

#### **SECTION**

1. Short title.
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5. Amendment of section 20 of the Principal Act.
6. Amendment of section 23 of the Principal Act.
7. Amendment of section 31A of the Principal Act.

## A BILL

## Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Local Democratic Organs Act.

A. D. 1986 Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short title,  
Act No. 12  
of 1986.

1. This Act, which amends the Local Democratic Organs Act 1980, may be cited as the Local Democratic Organs (Amendment) Act 1986.

Amendment  
of section 9  
of the  
Principal  
Act.

Section 9(b) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for paragraph (b) of the following paragraph —

“(b) the chairman and vice-chairman, or where there are two or more vice-chairmen, all the vice-chairmen, of any regional democratic council, unless the Minister, where he considers it justifiable, having regard to the time which such chairman, vice-chairman or all or any of the vice-chairmen is or are required to devote for the discharge of the functions of his office or their offices, in any case has, by written notice to the chairman, vice-chairman or all or any of the vice-chairmen, as the case may be, directed that he or they should not be a full-time officer or officers of the council;”.

Amendment  
of section 15  
of the  
Principal  
Act.

3. Section 15 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion after the words “vice-chairman” of the words “or where there are two or more vice-chairmen, all the vice-chairmen”.

Amendment  
of sections 19  
and 24 to 27  
of the  
Principal  
Act.

4. Sections 19(1), 24 to 27 (inclusive) and the marginal notes hereto of the Principal Act are hereby amended by the insertion after the word “vice-chairman” wherever it occurs, of the words “or vice-chairmen”.

Amendment  
of section 20  
of the  
Principal  
Act.

5. Section 20 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects —

- (a) in subsection (1), by the insertion after the word “vice-chairman” of the words “or vice-chairmen”;
- (b) by the insertion after subsection (3) of the following subsection as subsection (3A) —

“(3A) Where a council consists of two or more offices of vice-chairmen, the election to one office of vice-chairman shall be completed before nominations are called for election to each of the other offices of vice-chairmen.”.

6. Section 23 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the <sup>Amendment</sup> insertion after the word "vice-chairman" of the words "or where <sup>of section 23</sup> there are two or more vice-chairmen, any one of the vice-chairmen <sup>of the</sup> who may by direction of the Minister be specified for the purpose". <sup>Principal</sup> <sup>Act.</sup>

7. Section 31A of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the <sup>Amendment</sup> insertion after the words "the vice-chairman" of the words "or where <sup>of section</sup> there are two or more vice-chairmen, any one of the vice-chairmen <sup>31A of the</sup> who may by direction of the Minister be specified for the purpose". <sup>Principal</sup> <sup>Act.</sup>

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Local Democratic Organs Act 1980 (Act No. 12 of 1980) so as to provide for the election of more than one vice-chairman to a regional democratic council where there is such a need.

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