

**TENTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA – FIRST SESSION (2012)**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**NOTICE PAPER NO. 40**

**Member Giving Notice:     **Mr. Carl Greenidge, M.P.****

**MOTION**

**THE SERVICE COMMISSIONS**

WHEREAS Article 198 of the Constitution establishes the Judicial Service Commission;

AND WHEREAS Article 200 of the Constitution establishes the Public Service Commission;

AND WHEREAS Article 207 of the Constitution establishes the Teaching Service Commission;

AND WHEREAS Article 210 of the Constitution establishes the Police Service Commission;

AND WHEREAS the functions of the abovementioned Service Commissions include appointments to the offices falling under their jurisdiction, the exercise of disciplinary control over the removal from office of appointees to those offices;

AND WHEREAS the ability to act independently is an indispensable requirement in ensuring public confidence in our national institutions in general and the aforesaid Service Commissions in particular;

2.

AND WHEREAS the continued maintenance of the aforesaid Service Commissions in the Schedule of the Budget Agencies seriously compromises their independence in the discharge of their functions,

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly takes steps as early as possible to replace the Schedule with one that does not list the Judicial Service Commission, the Public Service Commission, the Police Service Commission and the Teaching Services Commission as Budget Agencies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly henceforth treats the Judicial Service Commission, the Public Service Commission, the Police Service Commission and the Teaching Service Commission as autonomous bodies drawing directly from the Consolidated Fund and that this change must be reflected in the Annual Estimates to be submitted by the Minister of Finance for the approval of the National Assembly.

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