

# AN ACT

*Of the Parliament of the Bayer Free State  
No. 4 of 2022  
(As amended by No. 18 of 2022)*

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*Be it enacted by this Parliament, That, this legislation shall be cited as the “2022 Immigration Act”.*

## Part I. Establishment of the Immigration Board

### Article 1. Establishment of the Immigration Board

An Immigration Board shall be established under the administration of the Head of State, the Prime Minister, or any executive department.

### Article 2. Composition of the Immigration Board

The Immigration Board shall consist of the Head of State, the Prime Minister, and a citizen appointed by the Prime Minister, who shall serve until the end of the term of the Prime Minister, resignation, or recall by the Prime Minister.

### Article 3. Duty of the Immigration Board

The Immigration board shall have the duty of

- (a) Researching, analyzing, and deciding on citizenship and residential permit applications, petitions, suspensions, and revocations;
- (b) Determining the criteria for citizenship and residential permit eligibility that does not interfere with a person's inalienable rights;
- (c) Leading, prosecuting, or assisting court cases concerning immigration;
- (d) Resolving matters concerning citizenship and residential permit;
- (e) Assisting any person wishing to achieve, to finish application, or to move to Bayer for a residence permit or citizenship; and
- (f) Advising the Government for a suitable immigration policy;

## Part II. Residence Permit

### Article 4. Eligibility for Application for Residence Permit

Any national of any foreign state to which the Bayer Free State has a diplomatic mission may apply for a residence permit to the Bayer Free State embassy in that state.

### Article 5. Residence Permit Procedures

A person applying for a residence permit shall be subjected to an interview with the Bayer ambassador responsible and any other immigration procedures. The ambassador shall report to the Immigration Board for consideration. If the Immigration Board approves by a majority vote, a residence permit shall be granted to the person, and they shall be allowed to enter the Bayer Free State without further procedures.

### Article 6. Residence Permit Rights and Protection

A person with a residence permit shall have the right to remain in the Bayer Free State and enjoy full protection, rights, and equality before Bayer laws except for the right to vote and to be qualified in elections, and be assisted and protected by the embassy of their state of origin in all legal proceedings, civil and criminal.

### Article 7. Ascension to Citizenship and Change of Country of Origin

A person with a residence permit may choose to ascend to citizenship after appropriate procedures, after citizenship has been granted their residence permit shall be revoked, or to change their state of origin to which the Bayer Free State has a diplomatic mission according to their will.

### Article 8. Suspension and Revocation of Residence Permit

A residence permit shall be suspended upon leaving the Bayer Free State, or be suspended or revoked by the Immigration Board with the permission of a court.

### Article 9. Juveniles Applying for Residence Permit

A juvenile under the age of 13 wishing to obtain a residence permit must be accompanied by a guardian who has attained the age of 13 and is a Bayer citizen.

## Part III. Citizenship

### Article 10. Eligibility for Application for Citizenship

#### Section 1

Any person who is a national of any state to which the Bayer Free State has a diplomatic mission may apply for citizenship to the Bayer Free State embassy in that state.

#### Section 2

Any person who is sponsored by a citizen of the State may apply for citizenship to the Immigration Board. The number of persons that a Bayer citizen may sponsor over a period of time, and the total number of persons who may be granted citizenship over a period of time shall be determined by the Immigration Board.

### Article 11. Citizenship Procedures

#### Section 1

A person applying for citizenship to a Bayer embassy shall be subjected to an interview with the Bayer ambassador responsible and any other immigration procedures. The ambassador shall report to the Immigration Board for consideration. If the Immigration Board approves by a majority vote, the person shall be subjected to an interview with the Immigration Board and any other immigration procedures. If the Immigration Board approves by a majority vote, citizenship shall be granted to the person, and they shall be allowed to enter the Bayer Free State without further procedures.

#### Section 2

A person applying for citizenship sponsored by a Bayer citizen shall be subjected to an interview with the Immigration Board and any other immigration procedures. If the Immigration Board approves by a majority vote, a temporary permit shall be granted to the person, and they shall be allowed to enter the Bayer Free State without further procedures. If no objection is offered by the Immigration Board on grounds prescribed in Article 13.A of this Act, the person may request to be granted citizenship after at least seven continuously days in the Bayer Free State with temporary permit.

## Article 12. Citizenship Rights and Protection

A person with citizenship shall have the right to remain in the Bayer Free State and enjoy full protection and equality before Bayer laws.

### Article 12.A. Temporary Permit Rights and Protection

A person holding a temporary permit shall have the right to remain in the Bayer Free State unless revoked, and shall enjoy full rights, protection, and privileges as those of citizenship, with the exception of the right to vote in any election and referendum, qualification as candidate for any public office, access to any governmental discussion channels, and qualification for resident status in Fidelissma.

## Article 13. Suspension and Revocation of Citizenship

Citizenship shall be suspended upon leaving the Bayer Free State, or be suspended or revoked by the Immigration Board with the permission of a court.

### Article 13.A. Suspension and Revocation of Temporary Permit

#### Section 1

A temporary permit shall be revoked  
upon voluntarily leaving the Bayer Free State;  
by the Immigration Board for the commission of a criminal offense;  
by the Immigration Board for inability to naturalize with the community or the State; or  
if the temporary permit holder failed to apply for citizenship or renew temporary permit within 60 days from the day of issue of the temporary permit.

#### Section 2

A person whose temporary permit is revoked under Section 1 Clause b of this Article shall not be able to apply for a new temporary permit or citizenship within fourteen days since revocation; and for citizenship under Section 1 Clause c within three days.

### Article 13.B. Renewal of Temporary Permit

At any time when the temporary permit is still considered valid, a permit holder can apply for the renewal of their temporary permit. At the earliest opportunity, the Immigration Board shall revoke the permit, and if deemed appropriate, issue a new temporary permit in accordance with the standard procedure.

## Article 14. Juveniles Applying for Citizenship

A juvenile under the age of 13 wishing to obtain citizenship must be accompanied by a guardian who has attained the age of 13 and is a Bayer citizen.

## Article 15. Exemption for Former Citizens

A person who in the past has held citizenship which was suspended only due to voluntary leave shall be immediately granted citizenship upon joining the guild within 60 days after leaving.

# Part IV. Revocation and Temporary Suspension of Citizenship

## Article 16. Revocation of Residence Permit or Citizenship by a Court

With the permission of a court, the Immigration Board may revoke the residence permit or citizenship of a person for a determined period of time or indefinitely for grave crimes or other reasons. The said person shall be eligible to apply for a residence permit or citizenship after the aforementioned period.

## Article 17. Temporary Suspension of Residence Permit or Citizenship

With the permission of a court and sufficient evidence, the Immigration Board may temporarily suspend a residence permit or citizenship of a person suspected to be indefinitely or prolongedly inactive. The said person shall be immediately granted a residence permit or citizenship again after submitting a request to and being confirmed by the Immigration Board.

## Part V. Information Collection, Preservation, Distribution, and Usage

### Article 18. Information Usage

#### Section 1

With consent from the applicant, information collected from offices of the Government, third-party, past applications, or via other means may be used to process applications, not limited to information collected from other partner states, past messages, or social media.

#### Section 2

Information collected from any external source shall be noted down and provided to the applicant upon request.

### Article 19. Information Preservation

Information that was collected shall be stored with acceptable security and limited access to personnel who are not directly involved in the process of application.

### Article 20. Information Distribution and Sharing

#### Section 1

Upon request by an applicant, the Immigration Board must provide a copy of the applicant's information.

#### Section 2

Applicant's information may be distributed to other offices of the Government with the intent to ensure peace and order in Bayer Free State.

#### Section 3

With consent from the applicant, anonymous information of applicants' statistics may be shared for public data collection.

## Section 4

With reasonable grounds for the purpose of investigation, and with the approval from a court, an applicant's information may be shared with a foreign state with which the Bayer Free State has diplomatic relations.

## Part VI. Revocation

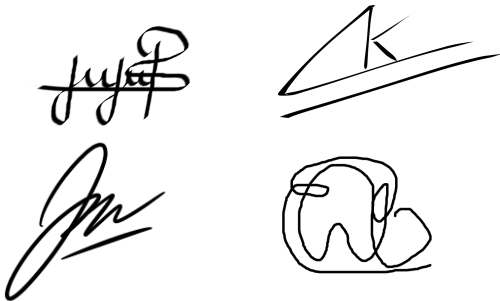
### Article 21. 2021 Immigration Act Repealed

The 2021 Immigration Act, with the reference code of ACT\_2021\_00006, shall hereby be repealed.

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*In witness whereof*, we have approved and set our hands on this document on this twenty-third day of the month of March, in the year two thousand and twenty-two, and in the third year of our State.

**Parliament**

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**Head of State**

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