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AN ACTTOPROVIDEFORTHEEXTENTIONOFTHETIMEPERIODFOR PRESENTATIONOFANELECTIONPETITIONANDINCREASEOFFINES; AND TOAMENDTHE LOCAL AUTHORITIES ELECTIONS ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 262), THEPARLIAMENTARYELECTIONSACT, NO. 1 OF 1981, THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS ACT, NO. 15 OF 1981 ANDTHE PROVINCIAL COUNCILS ELECTIONS ACT, NO. 2 OF 1988 ANDTO

PROVIDEFORMATTERSCONNECTEDTHEREWITHORINCIDENTIAL THERETO.

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows: -

**1.**This Act may be cited as the Elections (Special Short title

Provisions) Act, No. 21 of 2023.

PART I

AMENDMENTSTOTHE LOCAL AUTHORITIES ELECTIONS ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 262)

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| **2.** The sections of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262) (hereinafter in this Part referred to as the “principal enactment”) specified in Column I of the First Schedule hereto, are hereby amended by the substitution for the words specified in the corresponding entry in Column | Amendment of certain sections of Chapter 262 specified in the First Schedule |

II, of the words specified in the corresponding entry in Column III of that Schedule for the purpose of increase of fines specified in such sections.

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| **3.** Section 82AF of the principal enactment as last amended by Act, No. 1 of 2002 is hereby further amended in subsection (1) thereof, by the substitution for the words “within twenty-one days of the date of publication of the result of the | Amendment of section 82AF of the principal  enactment |

election in the *Gazette*:”, of the words “within forty-two days of the date of publication of the result of the election in the *Gazette*:”.

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PART II

AMENDMENTSTOTHE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS   
ACT, NO. 1 OF 1981

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| Amendment of certain sections of Act, No. 1 of 1981  specified in the Second  Schedule | **4.** The sections of the Parliamentary Elections Act, No. 1 of 1981 (hereinafter in this Part referred to as the “principal enactment”) specified in Column I of the Second Schedule hereto, are hereby amended by the substitution for the words specified in the corresponding entry in Column II, of the |

words specified in the corresponding entry in Column III of that Schedule for the purpose of increase of fines specified in such sections.

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| Amendment of section 108 of the principal  enactment | **5.** Section 108 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in subsection (1) thereof, by the substitution for the words “within twenty-one days of the date of publication |

of the result of the election in the *Gazette*:”, of the words“within forty-two days of the date of publication of the result of the election in the *Gazette*:”.

PART III

AMENDMENTSTOTHE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS   
ACT, NO. 15 OF 1981

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| Amendment of certain sections of Act, No. 15 of 1981  specified in the Third Schedule | **6.** The sections of the Presidential Elections Act, No. 15 of 1981 (hereinafter in this Part referred to as the “principal enactment”) specified in Column I of the Third Schedule hereto, are hereby amended by the substitution for the words specified in the corresponding entry in Column II, of the |

words specified in the corresponding entry in Column III of that Schedule for the purpose of increase of fines specified in such sections.

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| **7.** Section 102 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in subsection (1) thereof, by the substitution for the words “within twenty-one days of the date of publication | Amendment of section 102 of the principal  enactment |

of the result of the election in the *Gazette*:”, of the words“within forty-two days of the date of publication of the result of the election in the *Gazette*:”.

PART IV

AMENDMENTSTOTHE PROVINCIAL COUNCILS ELECTIONS   
ACT, NO. 2 OF 1988

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| **8.** The sections of the Provincial Councils Elections Act, No. 2 of 1988 (hereinafter in this Part referred to as the“principal enactment”) specified in Column I of the Fourth Schedule hereto, are hereby amended by the substitution for | Amendment of certain sections of Act, No. 2  of 1988  specified in the Fourth Schedule |

the words specified in the corresponding entry in Column II, of the words specified in the corresponding entry in Column III of that Schedule for the purpose of increase of fines specified in such sections.

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| **9.** Section 108 of the principal enactment is hereby amended in subsection (1) thereof, by the substitution for the words “within twenty-one days of the date of publication | Amendment of section 108 of the principal  enactment |

of the result of the election in the *Gazette*:”, of the words“within forty-two days of the date of publication of the result of the election in the *Gazette*:”.

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| **10.** In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. | Sinhala text to  prevail in case  of inconsistency |

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FIRST SCHEDULE (Section 2)

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| *Column I* | *Column II* | *Column III* |
| *Sections*  *Amended* | *Repeal* | *Insert* |
| 11 | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 18(6) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 39A(3) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 39A (3A) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 39B (1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 43 | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 52(2) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 53A(4) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 77 | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 78(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 81A(3) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 81B(2) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 82E(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 82F(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 82L(1) | three hundred rupees | one hundred thousand rupees |
| 82M(1) | three hundred rupees | one hundred thousand rupees |
| 84A(2) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 85A | fifty rupees | twenty-five thousand rupees |
| Second  Schedule | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |

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| SECOND SCHEDULE | (Section 4) |

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| *Column I* | *Column II* | *Column III* |
| *Sections*  *Amended* | *Repeal* | *Insert* |
| 5 | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 18 | one thousand rupees | four hundred thousand rupees |
| 26(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 27(3) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 27(4) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 43(3) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 67(2) | one thousand rupees | four hundred thousand rupees |
| 68(1) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 68(2) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 69 | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 70 | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 72 | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 73(3) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 74(2) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 75(1) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 76(6) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 81(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 82(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 87(1) | three hundred rupees | one hundred thousand rupees |
| 88(1) | three hundred rupees | one hundred thousand rupees |
| 121(2) | fifty rupees | twenty-five thousand rupees |
| 122(2) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |

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| THIRD SCHEDULE | (Section 6) |

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| *Column I* | *Column II* | *Column III* |
| *Sections*  *Amended* | *Repeal* | *Insert* |
| 6 | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 23(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 24(3) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 24(4) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 41(3) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 67(2) | one thousand rupees | four hundred thousand rupees |
| 68(1) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 68(2) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 69 | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 70 | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 72 | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 73(3) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 74(2) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 75(6) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 80 (1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 81(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 86(1) | three hundred rupees | one hundred thousand rupees |
| 87(1) | three hundred rupees | one hundred thousand rupees |
| 109(2) | fifty rupees | twenty-five thousand rupees |
| 110(2) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |



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| *Column I* | FOURTH SCHEDULE | | (Section 8) |
| *Column II* | *Column III* |
| *Sections* | *Repeal* | *Insert* |

*Amended*

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| 6 | one thousand rupees | four hundred thousand rupees |
| 16 | one thousand rupees | four hundred thousand rupees |
| 24(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 25(3) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 25(4) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 41(3) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 64 | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 67(2) | one thousand rupees | four hundred thousand rupees |
| 68(1) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 68(2) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 69 | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 70 | one thousand rupees | four hundred thousand rupees |
| 72 | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 73(3) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 74(2) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 75(1) | one hundred rupees | fifty thousand rupees |
| 76(3) | one thousand rupees | four hundred thousand rupees |
| 77(6) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 82(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 83(1) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| 88(1) | three hundred rupees | one hundred thousand rupees |
| 89(1) | three hundred rupees | one hundred thousand rupees |
| 123(2) | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| Second | five hundred rupees | two hundred thousand rupees |
| Schedule |
| item 9(4) |

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