

**PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF**   
**SRI LANKA**

*————————*

**PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS**   
**(AMENDMENT)**

**A**

**BILL**

**to amend the Parliamentary Elections Act, No. 1 of 1981**

*————————*

*Presented by Hon.Imthiaz Bakeer Markar, M.P.*  
 *on 06th of July, 2022*

(Published in the Gazette on June 09, 2022)

*Ordered by Parliament to be printed*

*————————*

**[Bill No. 124]**

PRINTEDATTHEDEPARTMENTOFGOVERNMENTPRINTING, SRILANKA   
 TOBEPURCHASEDATTHEGOVERNMENTPUBLICATIONSBUREAU, COLOMBO5   
**Price : Rs. 12.00**  **Postage : Rs. 15.00**

*This Bill can be downloaded from* www.documents.gov.lk 

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| *Parliamentary Elections (Amendment)* | 1 |

AN ACTTOAMENDTHE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS   
ACT, NO. 1 OF 1981

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

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **1.** | This Act may be cited as the Parliamentary Elections | Short title |

(Amendment) Act, No. of 2022.

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 5 | **2.** | The following new section is inserted immediately | Amendment |
| after section 15 (8) (*c*) of the Parliamentary Elections Act, | | of section 15 |
| to the |
| No. 1 of 1981 and shall have effect as section 15 (9) in the | |
| Parliamentary |
| Principal Enactment:— | | Elections |
| 10 |
| Act, No. 1 of |
| “15 (9)(1) When submitting a nomination paper, each | | 1981 |
| political party or independent group shall | |

ensure that not less than one fourth of the total   
number of candidates to be nominated for the   
electoral district, and not less than one fourth   
of the total number of candidates in the district

15 list, shall be youth candidates:

Provided further that, the Commissioner of Elections shall, by notice published in the *Gazette*, simultaneously with the call for nomination, specify the number of youth 20 candidates to be nominated on each nomination list, in respect of each administrative district.

(2) For the purposes of this Clause a youth shall be defined as an individual either male or 25 female of 35 years of age or less on the day of the calling of elections by the Elections Commissioner.

2  *Parliamentary Elections (Amendment)*

(3) In the event of a failure by a political party or   
independent group to fulfill the requirements   
set out in Clause 15(9) (1) the said nomination   
paper shall be deemed *null* and *void* and shall

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 5 | be rejected by the Returning Officer.”. | | Sinhala text |
| **3.** | In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala |
| and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. | | to prevail in |
| case of |

inconsistency

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| *Parliamentary Elections (Amendment)* | 3 |

DEPARTMENTOFGOVERNMENTPRINTING