

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

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**MUNICIPAL COUNCILS (AMENDMENT)**

**A**

**BILL**

**to amend the Municipal Councils Ordinance (Chapter 252)**

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*Presented by Hon. Jayantha Ketagoda, M.P.*   
*on 05th of July, 2023*

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AN ACTTOAMENDTHE MUNICIPAL COUNCILS ORDINANCE   
(CHAPTER 252)

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

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Municipal Councils Short title

(Amendment) Act, No of 2023.

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| 5 | **2.**  The following section to be inserted immediately following | Insertion of |
| Section 10(2)(*b*) of the No. 29 of 1947 Municipal Councils | new section |
| 10(2)(c) to |
| Ordinance as amended by Act, No. 19 of 1987 (Chapter 252) and | the |
| shall have effect as Section 10 (2) (*c*) of that enactment :- | Chapter 252 |

“(*c*) Where a Local Authority election is declared and 10 the said election cannot be held due to a crisis that has arisen, the relevant dissolved local authority/ body may be reconvened by the Minister for a period as decided at the Minister’s discretion notwithstanding the lapse of the twelve (12) months 15   
 extension made by the Minister in terms of Section 10 (2) (*b*).”.

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| **3.** 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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