

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

*————————*

**URBAN COUNCILS (AMENDMENT)**

**A**

**BILL**

**to amend the Urban Councils Ordinance (Chapter 255)**

*——————*

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

(Published in the Gazette on June 26, 2023)

*Ordered by Parliament to be printed*

*————————*

**[Bill No. 186]**

PRINTEDATTHEDEPARTMENTOFGOVERNMENTPRINTING, SRILANKA   
TOBEPURCHASEDATTHEGOVERNMENTPUBLICATIONSBUREAU, COLOMBO5

**Price : Rs. 6.00**  **Postage : Rs. 150.00**

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

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| *Urban Councils (Amendment)* | 1 |

AN ACTTOAMENDTHE URBAN COUNCILS ORDINANCE   
(CHAPTER 255)

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

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Urban Councils Short title (Amendment) Act, No.............. of 2023.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 5 | **2.**  The following section to be inserted immediately | Insertion of |
| following Section 10(2)(*b*) of the No. 61 of 1939 Urban | new section |
| 5(2)(*c*) to the |
| Councils Ordinance as amended by Act, No. 18 of 1987 |
| chapter 255 |

(Chapter 255) and shall have effect as Section 10 (2) (*c*) of that enactment :-

10 “(*c*) Where a Local Authority election is declared and 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 15 notwithstanding the lapse of the twelve (12) months, extension made by the Minister in terms of Section 10 (2)(*b*) .”.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **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

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 2 | *Urban Councils (Amendment)* |

Department of Government Printing