

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

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**PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT)**

**A**

**BILL**

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

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*Presented by Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle, M.P. for Gampaha District on 22nd of May, 2024*

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| *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:—

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

(Amendment) Act, No. of 2024.

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| 5 | **2.** | Section 7 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, | Amendment |
| No. 1 of 1981 (hereinafter referred to as the “principal | | of Section 7 |
| of the |
| enactment” as amended by Act, No. 58 of 2009, is hereby | | Parliamentary |
| further amended by the repeal of subsection 4(*d*) and | | Elections |
| Act, |
| substitution thereof, with the following:- | |
| No. 1 of |

1981

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| 10 | “(*d*) | In order to guarantee better representation of |

women in political parties and in politics, every recognized political party shall ensure the inclusion of not less than thirty *per centum*  of women office bearers, in a decision making 15 capacity, in the list of office bearers of such party.”.

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| **3.** | In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala | Sinhala text to prevail in case of |
| and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. | |

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