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AN ACT TO AMEND THE 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 (Amendment) Act, No. 21 of 2017. Short title.

2. Section 5 of the Urban Councils Ordinance (Chapter 255) is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:— Replacement of section 5 of Chapter 255.

“Composition of Urban Councils. 5. (1) Each Urban Council shall consist of such number of Councillors—

(a) equivalent to sixty *per centum* of the number of Councillors to be elected and returned, for such Urban Council, as specified by the Minister by Order published in the *Gazette*, based on the number of wards specified in the Orders published under sections 3C and 3D of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262);

(b) equivalent to forty *per centum* of the number of Councillors to be elected and returned for such Urban Council, who shall be returned in terms of section 65B of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262); and

- (c) determined by the Commissioner under paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 65B of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262).

(2) Where the number constituting forty *per centum* referred to in paragraph (b) of subsection (1), is an integer and fraction, the integer shall be deemed to be the number which shall constitute such forty *per centum*, for the purpose of that subsection.”.

Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency.

3. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.
