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## PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2015

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION AND SHARING OF  
EX-REGISTER INFORMATION BY THE PARLIAMENTARY  
COMMISSIONER AND FOR CONNECTED PURPOSES

[Date of Assent - 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2015]

Enacted by the Parliament of The Bahamas

**1. Short title and commencement.**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, 2015.
- (2) This Act shall come into force on such date as the Minister may appoint by Notice published in the *Gazette*.

**2. Insertion of new sections 13A and 13B into *Ch. 7*.**

The Parliamentary Elections Act (*Ch. 7*) is amended by the insertion immediately after section 13 of new sections 13A and 13B as follows —

**“13A. Additional voter information.**

- (1) The Parliamentary Commissioner shall for the purpose of the administration of the Juries Act (*Ch. 59*) collect and maintain contact information on persons whose names are entered in the register of voters.
- (2) The information referred to in subsection (1) —
  - (a) relates to voter's national insurance number and contact information including, but not limited to, telephone number, email address and facsimile number;
  - (b) does not form part of the register of voters;

(c) shall be shared with the Registrar of the Supreme Court in accordance with section 13B.

**13B. Sharing of additional voter information.**

- (1) The Parliamentary Commissioner shall on the written request of the Registrar of the Supreme Court, share the voter information referred to in section 13A.
- (2) The Parliamentary Commissioner shall, where the Registrar of the Supreme Court makes a written request pursuant to subsection (1), transmit to the Registrar of the Supreme Court the additional voter information requested at the same time the Parliamentary Commissioner forwards the list of electors pursuant to section 7(4) of the Juries Act (*Ch. 59*).
- (3) Additional voter information shared under this section shall be used solely for the purpose of assisting and facilitating the Registrar of the Supreme Court in carrying out the duties and functions of the Registrar of the Supreme Court under the Juries Act (*Ch. 59*).