

**THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL**  
(No. XIV of 2003)

**Explanatory Memorandum**

The object of this Bill is to amend the Local Government Act, pending the introduction of a new major legislation in matters of local government, to provide for the extension of the mandate of existing district and village councilors until 2004.

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and Rodrigues*

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**ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES**

*Clause*

1. Short title
2. Interpretation
3. Section 17 of principal Act amended
4. Section 23 of principal Act amended

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**A BILL**

**To amend the Local Government Act**

ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows -

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the Local Government (Amendment) Act 2003.

**2. Interpretation**

In this Act -

"principal Act" means the Local Government Act.

**3. Section 17 of principal Act amended**

Section 17 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (1), by deleting the word "2003" and replacing it by the words "2004 and thereafter in every succeeding fifth year".

**4. Section 23 of principal Act amended**

Section 23 of the principal Act is amended -

(a) in subsection (1) -

(i) by deleting the word "2003" and replacing it by the words "2004 and in every succeeding fifth year thereafter";

(ii) in paragraph (b), by deleting -

(i) the words "15 September" and replacing them by the words "25 December";

(ii) the words "24 September" and replacing them by the words "31 December";

(b) by adding after subsection (3), the following new subsection -

(4) All members of village councils in office in 2003 shall continue to serve as such until the date immediately preceding nomination day at a general election for the election of members of village councils in 2004.