## THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL

(No. XVIII of 2010)

#### **Explanatory Memorandum**

The object of this Bill is to amend the Local Government Act 1989 and the Local Government Act 2003 to provide for –

- (a) the election of councillors of local authorities to be held in 2011 instead of 2010;
- (b) the extension of the mandate of municipal, district and village councillors, currently in office, until 2011;
- (c) the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor of each municipal council and the election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of each district and village council to be held between 13 and 17 December in 2010;
- (d) the existing local authorities under the Local Government Act 1989 to continue to be deemed to be local authorities for the purposes of the Local Government Act 2003.

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#### ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

#### Clause

- 1. Short title
- 2. Local Government Act 1989 amended
- 3. Local Government Act 2003 amended

#### A BILL

# To amend the Local Government Act 1989 and the Local Government Act 2003

ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows -

#### 1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Local Government (Amendment) Act 2010.

## 2. Local Government Act 1989 amended

The Local Government Act 1989 is amended -

- (a) in section 8(1), by deleting the figure "2005" and replacing it by the figure "2011";
- (b) in section 12, by inserting, after subsection (1), the following new subsection
  - (1A) Notwithstanding subsection (1), in 2010, the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor shall be held between 13 and 17 December.
- (c) in section 17(1), by deleting the figure "2005" and replacing it by the figure "2011";
- (d) in section 18(2), by repealing paragraph (b) and replacing it by the following paragraph
  - (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), in 2010, the election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be held between 13 and 17 December.
- (e) in section 20, by repealing subsection (7) and replacing it by the following subsection
  - (7) All members of district councils in office at the commencement of this Act shall continue to serve as such until the day immediately preceding the day on which village council elections are to be held in 2011.
- (f) in section 23
  - in subsection (1), by deleting the figure "2005" and replacing it by the figure "2011";
  - (ii) by repealing subsection (4) and replacing it by the following subsection –

- (4) All members of village councils in office at the commencement of this Act shall continue to serve as such until the day immediately preceding nomination day at a general election for the election of members of village councils in 2011.
- (g) in section 24(1), by repealing paragraph (c) and replacing it by the following paragraph
  - (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), in 2010, the meeting for the election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be held between 13 and 17 December.

#### 3. Local Government Act 2003 amended

The Local Government Act 2003 is amended -

- (a) in section 3(5), by deleting the words "in the year 2006" and replacing them by the words "under this Act";
- (b) in section 11 -
  - (i) in subsection (1), by deleting the figure "2010" and replacing it by the figure "2011";
  - (ii) by inserting, after subsection (1), the following new subsection
    - (1A) Notwithstanding subsection (1), an election of municipal councillors shall not be held in 2011 under this Act where an election of municipal councillors is held in that year under the Local Government Act 1989.