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ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS.

Section.

- 1. Amendment of the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2005.
- 2. Amendment of section 8 of the principal Act.
- 3. Insertion of new sections 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E, 8F, 8G, 8H, 8I, 8J, 8K and 8L.
- 4. Insertion of new Third and Fourth Schedule to the principal Act.

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THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) (No. 2) ACT, 2015.

An Act to amend the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2005 to prescribe the procedure for elections of representatives of the army, youth, workers and persons with disabilities; and to provide for related matters.

DATE OF ASSENT:

Date of Commencement:

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

1. Amendment of the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2005.

The Parliamentary Elections Act, 2005, in this Act referred to as the principal Act is amended in section 1 (1) by inserting the following definitions in their appropriate alphabetical order—

- (a) "region" means a region specified in the Third Schedule;
- (b) "special interest groups" means the groups referred to in article 78 (1)(c) of the Constitution;
- (c) "youth" means a person aged between eighteen and thirty years of age;.
- 2. Amendment of section 8 of the principal Act.

Section 8 of the principal Act is amended—



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- (a) in subsection (4) (b), by substituting for the words "in a manner prescribed by regulations made by the Minister under section 100", the words "in accordance with section 8A;";
- (b) in subsection (4) by substituting for paragraph (c), the following—
 - "(c) the representatives of the youth shall be elected by the district youth councils within each region of representation constituted into an electoral college in accordance with sections 8B to 8E and the woman youth representative shall be elected by a national youth conference in accordance with section 8F;";
- (c) in subsection (4) (d), by substituting for the words "in a manner prescribed by regulations made by the Minister under section 100", the words "in accordance with section 8G";
- (d) in subsection (4) (e), by substituting for the words "in a manner prescribed by regulations made by the Minister under section 100", the words "in accordance with section 8H';
- 3. Insertion of new sections 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E, 8F, 8G, 8H, 8I, 18J, 8K and 8L.

The principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 8, the following new sections—

"8A. Representatives of the Uganda Peoples Defence Forces. The representatives of the Uganda Peoples' Defence Forces to Parliament shall be elected by the Uganda Peoples' Defence Forces Council as follows—

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- (a) the Commander-in-Chief shall in consultation with the leadership of the Uganda Peoples Defence Forces or any other persons the Commander-in-Chief considers necessary, submit a list of at least twenty and not more than thirty officers or militants to the Defence Forces Council;
- (b) the Defence Forces Council shall elect the ten representatives of the army from persons nominated by the Commander-in-Chief; a third of whom shall be women;
- (c) the Commander-in-Chief shall not nominate a person to the Defence Forces Council unless that person is qualified to be elected a member of Parliament under article 80 of the Constitution and this Act;
- (d) voting by the Defence Forces Council shall be by secret ballot.

8B. Representatives of the youth.

- (1) For the purposes of the election of representatives of the youth in Parliament, Uganda shall be divided into four regions namely—
 - (a) the Northern Region;
 - (b) the Eastern Region;
 - (c) the Central Region; and
 - (d) the Western Region.
- (2) The regions shall each comprise the areas of the districts specified in relation to them in the Third Schedule.

8C. Electoral college within region of representation.

All the members of a District Youth Council within each region shall constitute an electoral college for the election of the representative of the youth in Parliament for that region.

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8D. Qualification for election of representatives of the youth.

- (1) A person seeking to be elected as a representative of the youth in Parliament shall be aged between eighteen and thirty years and shall also be qualified to be a member of Parliament in terms of article 80 of the Constitution and section 4 of this Act.
- (2) Subject to article 80 of the Constitution, and section 4 of this Act, election shall be open to all youth.

8E. Election of representative of youth for each region.

- (1) The Commission shall appoint by notice published in the Gazette three days within which the electoral college of each region shall meet in their region to elect the representative of the youth for that region.
- (2) The nomination of a candidate for election under subsection (1) shall be made on a day appointed by the Commission on a form and in a manner approved by the Commission supported by two registered voters who are members of the electoral college and shall be accompanied by the nomination fee specified to in section 8I.

8F. Female youth representative in Parliament.

- (1) (1) The electoral college for electing the female representative of the youth in parliament shall be the national Youth Council constituted in accordance with section 5 of the National Youth Council Act
- (2) The commission shall by notice publish in the Gazette, appoint three days within which the electoral college for referred to in subsection (1) shall meet to elect the female representative of the Youth in parliament.
- (3) The nomination of candidates for election under this section shall be made on a day appointed by the commission and on a form and in a manner approved by the commission supported by two registered voters who are members of the electoral college and shall be accompanied by the nomination fee specified in section 81.

8G. Representatives of workers

- (1) The five workers' representatives to Parliament shall be elected by an electoral college constituted by the Electoral Commission as follows—
 - (a) the Chairman General, Vice Chairman General, Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General, Treasurer General and Deputy Treasurer General of NOTU and four other persons nominated by NOTU at least two of whom shall be a woman;
 - (b) the Chairman General, Vice Chairman General, Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General, Treasurer General and Deputy Treasurer General of COFTU and four other persons nominated by COFTU at least two of whom shall be a woman;
 - (c) the Chairperson, General Secretary and Treasurer of every registered labour union;
 - (d) seven delegates nominated directly to the Electoral Commission by every registered labour union at least three of whom shall be women;
 - (e) ten delegates at least three of whom shall be women, nominated by the non- unionised workers in each of the following regions—
 - (i) Central;
 - (ii) Eastern;
 - (iii) Northern; and
 - (iv) Western.
- (2) The ten delegates referred to in subsection (1) (e) shall be elected as follows—

- (a) the Minister responsible for workers shall convene all willing non-unionised workers at every sub county in Uganda and the Electoral Commission shall organize and manage the elections at the sub county and district conference;
- (b) every sub county non-unionised workers conference shall nominate ten delegates, at least three of whom shall be women, to the district non-unionised workers conference;
- (c) each district non-unionised workers conference shall nominate ten delegates, at least three of whom shall be women to the regional non-unionised workers conference for the purposes of nominating the delegates referred to in subsection (1)(e).
- (3) For the purposes of the elections, the Registrar under the Labour Unions Act, 2006 shall submit to the Electoral Commission a list of the registered labour unions.
- (4) The Commission shall appoint nomination and polling days for election of workers representatives to Parliament.
- (5) A union registered within six months before a general election shall not be taken into account by the Electoral Commission for the purposes of electing workers' representatives to Parliament.
 - (6) For purposes of this section—
 - "COFTU" means the Central Organisation of Free Trade Unions;
 - "non-unionised worker" means a worker who is not a member of a labour union;
 - "NOTU" means the National Organisation of Trade Unions.

8H. Representatives of persons with disabilities.

The representatives of persons with disabilities in Parliament shall be elected in accordance with the National Council for Disability Act, 2003.

8I. Nomination fees.

A candidate for election to Parliament under this Part shall pay a non-refundable nomination fee of one hundred and fifty currency points.

8J. Vacancies not to affect election result.

Any vacancy occurring in any office the holder of which is required to be a member of an electoral college under this Act for the purpose of any election shall not affect the result of the election.

8K. Notification of results.

- (1) As soon as the election of a representative of a special interest group is completed under this Act, the returning officer appointed shall notify the Commission of the name of the representative elected in the form specified in the Fourth Schedule to this Act.
- (2) The Commission shall, as soon as possible after receiving the results of elections of representatives of special interest groups under subsection (1), publish the results in the *Gazette* and communicate the results to the Clerk to Parliament.

8L. Commission to facilitate elections.

The Commission shall provide reasonable financial and other necessary assistance for purposes of conducting elections under this Part.

4. Insertion of new Third and Fourth Schedules to the principal Act.

The principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after the Second Schedule the following new schedules—

"Third Schedule

Section 8B (2)

REGIONS

(1) Northern Region

- 1. Arua
- 2. Maracha
- 3. Moyo
- 4. Nebbi
- 5. Zombo
- 6. Gulu
- 7. Nwoya
- 8. Kitgum
- 9. Agago
- 10. Lira
- 11. Dokolo
- 12. Lamwo
- 13. Amuru
- 14. Alebtong
- 15. Apac
- 16. Kole
- 17. Oyam
- 18. Otuke
- 19. Moroto
- 20. Napak
- 21. Kotido
- 22. Kaabong
- 23. Abim
- 24. Koboko
- 25. Adjumani
- 26. Yumbe
- 27. Pader
- 28. Nakapiripirit
- 29. Amolatar
- 30. Amudat

(2) Eastern Region

- 1. Soroti
- 2. Ngora
- 3. Serere
- 4. Bukedea
- 5. Amuria
- 6. Kumi
- 7. Kapchorwa
- 8. Kween
- 9. Bukwo
- 10. Mbale
- 11. Bududa
- 12. Manafwa
- 13. Tororo
- 14. Butaleja
- 17. Dutan
- 15. Jinja
- 16. Pallisa
- 17. Kibuku
- 18. Budaka
- 19. Iganga
- 20. Luuka
- 21. Namutumba
- 22. Kamuli
- 23. Buyende
- 24. Kaliro
- 25. Katakwi
- 26. Bugiri
- 27. Namayingo
- 28. Busia
- 29. Mayuge
- 30. Sironko
- 31. Bulambuli
- 32. Kaberamaido

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(3) Central Region

- 1. Kampala City
- 2. Mukono
- 3. Buikwe
- 4. Buvuma
- 5. Mpigi
- 6. Gomba
- 7. Butambala
- 8. Masaka
- 9. Kalungu
- 10. Lwengo
- 11. Bukomansimbi
- 12. Kalangala
- 13. Rakai
- 14. Lyantonde
- 15. Mubende
- 16. Mityana
- 17. Luwero
- 18. Nakaseke
- 19. Kiboga
- 20. Kyankwanzi
- 21. Sembabule
- 22. Nakasongola
- 23. Kayunga
- 24. Wakiso

(4) Western Region

- 1. Kabale
- 2. Ntungamo
- 3. Rukungiri
- 4. Kisoro
- 5. Mbarara
- 6. Ibanda
- 7. Isingiro
- 8. Kiruhura

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- 9. Bushenyi
- 10. Mitooma
- 11. Buhweju
- 12. Rubirizi
- 13. Kasese
- 14. Sheema
- 15. Bundibugyo
- 16. Ntoroko
- 17. Kabarole
- 18. Hoima
- 19. Buliisa
- 17. Dumsa
- 20. Masindi
- 21. Kiryandongo
- 22. Kibale
- 23. Kamwenge
- 24. Kyenjojo
- 25. Kyegegwa
- 26. Kanungu."

Fourth Schedule

Section 8K (1)

DECLARATION OF RESULTS THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT, 2005.

To:

The Chairperson Electoral Commission

ELECTION OF SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS elections were held by the to

return representatives to Parliament as provided in section 8 of the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2005 and article 78 (1) (c) of the Constitution;
I hereby notify you that the results of the election are that the following candidates are elected—
Name
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Signed
Returning Officer



This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the bill which was passed by Parliament and found by me to be a true copy of the bill.

Clerk to Parliament

Date of authentication: $27^{11/2015}$