
Fourth Session First Parliament Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago



REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 8 of 1980

AN ACT to amend the Representation of the People
Act, 1967

[Assented to 24th March, 1980]

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago Enactment
as follows—

1. This Act may be cited as the Representation of Short title
the People (Amendment) Act, 1980.

Section 2

2. Section 2(1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1967 (hereinafter called "the Act") is amended by substituting for the definitions of "the Commission", "municipality" and "Municipal Council" the following—

" "the Commission" means the Elections and Boundaries Commission constituted in accordance with section 71 of the Constitution;

"municipality" means the City of Port-of-Spain, the Borough of San Fernando, the Borough of Arima or the Borough of Point Fortin;

"Municipal Council" means a Council as defined in the Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinance, the San Fernando Corporation Ordinance, the Arima Corporation Ordinance or the Point Fortin Corporation Act".

Section 14 of
the Act amended

3. Section 14 of the Act is amended by repealing and replacing paragraph (b) as follows—

"(b) is a Commonwealth citizen, other than a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago, of the age of eighteen years or upwards who has resided in Trinidad and Tobago for a period of at least one year immediately preceding such date, and who is and for a period of one year immediately preceding such date has been, a resident of Trinidad and Tobago within the meaning of section 5(1) of the Immigration Act, 1969."

No. 41 of 1969

Section 15 of
the Act amended

4. Section 15 of the Act is amended as follows—

(a) by repealing and replacing paragraph (b) of subsection (1) as follows—

"(b) is a Commonwealth citizen, other than a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago and who is and for a period of one year immediately preceding such date has been a resident of Trinidad and Tobago within the meaning of section 5(1) of the Immigration Act, 1969, or";

(b) by deleting the words "residing at the address at which he was" occurring in lines five and six of paragraph (d) of subsection (1),

5. Section 18 of the Act is amended by adding immediately after the word "order" occurring in line three of paragraph (b) of subsection (1), the words "of the President or are disqualified by virtue of section 17(1)".

Section 18 of
the Act amended

6. Section 26 of the Act is amended by inserting the words "or non-elector" immediately after the word "elector" in line two.

Section 26 of
the Act amended

7. Section 30 of the Act is amended as follows—

Section 30 of
the Act amended

(a) in subsection (5) by deleting all the words occurring after the words "electoral registration".

(b) by adding after subsection (5) the following new subsections (6) and (7)—

(6) For the purpose of municipal council and county council elections in 1980, the Commission may adapt an existing annual list of electors so as to take account of any changes in the electoral districts effected as a result of the Commission's Fifth Report and the annual list so adapted shall be deemed to be the preliminary list of electors for the electoral district to which it relates referred to in the Fifth Report.

(7) The Commission may adapt an annual list so as to take account of changes in boundaries or in the designated number of a polling division.

8. The Act is amended in the First Schedule by inserting immediately after the words "The Borough of Arima" the words "The Borough of Point Fortin".

The Act amended

Passed in the House of Representatives this 10th day of March, 1980.

J. E. CARTER

Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 18th day of March, 1980.

R. L. GRIFFITH
Clerk of the Senate