
First Session First Parliament Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago



REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 26 of 1977

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend certain enactments respecting local
government.

[Assented to 1st June, 1977]

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Local Authorities Short title
Amendment Act, 1977.

Statutes

2. The Statutes mentioned in the first column of the Schedule shall have effect subject to the amendments specified in the second column of the Schedule:

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The County Councils
Act, 1967, No. 22 of
1967.

A. Substitute a reference to the "Chief Administrative Officer" for the reference to the "Chief Executive Officer" wherever that expression appears in the Act.

B. (i) Repeal and replace section 23(1) as follows:—

"(1) There shall be assigned to each County Council a Chief Administrative Officer who, subject to this section, is responsible for the efficient administration of all the functions of the County Council.

(2) In the performance of his duties under subsection (1) the Chief Administrative Officer is subject to the general direction and control of the County Council."

(ii) Renumber subsections (2) and (3) thereof as subsections (3) and (4), respectively.

"C. Section 25 is renumbered as section 25(1) and the following new subsection is added:

"(2) Subject to the provisions of this Act the following functions are exercisable by a County Council in relation to the electoral area for which the County Council has been established:—

(a) the distribution of truck-borne water subject to the provisions of the Water and Sewerage Act, 1965;

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(b) the provision, maintenance and control of all Local Government buildings;

(c) the provision, maintenance and control of homes for the aged;

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- (d) the financing and administering of the school feeding programme;
- (e) the maintenance of completed Special Works Projects;
- (f) the construction and maintenance of all drains and water-courses except main water-courses and highway water-courses;
- (g) the provision, maintenance and control of such parks, recreation grounds and public spaces as the President may from time to time by Order prescribe.” ”.

D. Repeal and replace section 33(1) to (3) as follows:—

“(1) The Chief Administrative Officer shall on or before the 15th day of May in each year prepare and submit to the County Council for its approval, draft estimates of revenue and expenditure respecting all the functions of the County Council for the financial year commencing on the 1st January next following.

(2) The County Council shall consider and approve the draft estimates subject to such alterations thereto as may seem to be desirable.

(3) Subject to section 41(3), the Chief Administrative Officer shall, on or before the 30th day of June submit the estimates as approved by the County Council to the Minister for his approval. The Minister may in approving such estimates make such alterations thereto as he considers proper.”.

E. Repeal and replace section 41(3) as follows:—

“(3) Where a County Council fails to complete consideration of its estimates by 25th June in any year, the Chief Administrative Officer shall forward the draft estimates to the Minister who shall receive them as if they had been approved by the County Council and the Minister may approve the estimates or make such alterations thereto as he considers proper.”.

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Port-of-Spain Corpora- The Port-of-Spain Corporation Ordinance is
tion Ordinance, amended by inserting immediately after Part XVI
Ch. 39 No. 1. the following new part:—

“PART XVII

MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTIONS

Additional
functions

289. The following functions are exercisable by the Corporation within its boundaries in addition to those already vested in it under this Ordinance—

- (a) the distribution of truck-borne water subject to the provisions of the Water and Sewerage Act, 1965;
- (b) the provision, maintenance and control of all Corporation buildings;
- (c) the provision, maintenance and control of homes for the aged;
- (d) the financing and administering of the school feeding programme;
- (e) the maintenance of completed Special Works Projects;
- (f) the construction and maintenance of all drains and water-courses except main water-courses and highway water-courses.;
- (g) the provision, maintenance and control of such parks, recreation grounds and public spaces as the President may from time to time by Order prescribe;
- (h) such other functions as the President may from time to time by Order prescribe.

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The San Fernando
Corporation Ordinance,
Ch. 39. No. 7.

The San Fernando Corporation Ordinance is amended by inserting immediately after Part XIV the following new Part:—

“PART XIVA

MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTIONS

Additional
functions

316A. The following functions are exercisable by the Corporation within its boundaries in addition to those already vested in it under this Ordinance—

- (a) the distribution of truck-borne water subject to the provisions of the Water and Sewerage Act, 1965;
- (b) the provision, maintenance and control of all Borough buildings;
- (c) the provision, maintenance and control of homes for the aged;
- (d) the financing and administering of the school feeding programme;
- (e) the maintenance of completed Special Works Projects;
- (f) the construction and maintenance of all drains and water-courses except main water-courses and highway water-courses;
- (g) the provision, maintenance and control of such parks, recreation grounds and public spaces as the President may from time to time by Order prescribe.

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(h) such other functions as the President may from time to time by Order prescribe.

Arima Corporation Ordinance, Ch. 39. No. 11.

The Arima Corporation Ordinance is amended by inserting immediately after Part IX the following new Part—

“PART X

MISCELLANEOUS FUNCTIONS

Additional functions

225. The following functions are exercisable by the Corporation within its boundaries in addition to those already vested in it under this Ordinance—

- (a) the distribution of truck-borne water subject to the provisions of the Water and Sewerage Act, 1965;
- (b) the provision, maintenance and control of all Borough buildings;
- (c) the provision, maintenance and control of homes for the aged;
- (d) the financing and administering of the school feeding programme;
- (e) the maintenance of completed Special Works Projects;
- (f) the construction and maintenance of all drains and water-courses except main water-courses and highway water-courses;
- (g) the provision, maintenance and control of such parks, recreation grounds and public spaces as the President may from time to time by Order prescribe;

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(h) such other functions as
the President may from
time to time by Order
prescribe.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 6th day of
May, 1977.

J. E. CARTER
Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 17th day of May, 1977.

R. L. GRIFFITH
Clerk of the Senate