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SRI LANKA**

**PROVINCIAL COUNCILS ELECTIONS
(AMENDMENT)**

A

BILL

to amend the Provincial Councils Elections Act, No. 2 of 1988

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROVINCIAL COUNCILS ELECTIONS
ACT, NO. 2 OF 1988

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist
Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Provincial Councils Elections (Amendment) Act, No. of 2022.

Short title

5 2. The following new section is inserted immediately
after section 13 (8) (c) of the Provincial Councils Elections
Act, No. 2 of 1988 and shall have effect as section 13 (9) in
the Principal Enactment:—

Amendment
of section 13
of the
Provincial
Councils
Elections Act

10 “13 (9)(1) When submitting a nomination paper each
political party or independent group shall
ensure that not less than one fourth of the total
number of candidates to be nominated for the
Electoral District, and not less than one fourth
15 of the total number of candidates in the district
list, shall be youth candidates:

20 Provided further that, the Commissioner of
Elections shall, by notice published in the
Gazette, simultaneously with the call for
nomination, specify the number of youth
candidates to be nominated on each
nomination list, in respect of each
administrative district.

25 (2) For the purposes of this Clause, a youth shall
be defined as an individual either male or
female of 35 years of age or less on the day of
the calling of elections by the Elections
Commissioner.

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(3) In the event of a failure by a political party or independent group to fulfill the requirements set out in Clause 13(9) (1) the said nomination paper shall be deemed *null* and *void* and shall
5 be rejected by the Returning Officer.”.

3. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency

