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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**BILL**

**AN ACT to amend the Municipal Corporations Act, 1990**

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THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS (AMENDMENT)  
BILL, 2003

**Explanatory Note**

(These notes form no part of the Bill but are intended only to indicate its general purport)

This Bill seeks to amend the Municipal Corporations Act, 1990 (the Act) in order to extend the prescribed time in which elections to Municipal Councils shall be held. The extension of time however, relates only to elections that were due in the year 2002.

Clause 2 of the Bill would—

- (a) amend the Act to provide for the extension of the period for holding elections under section 11 of the Act from three months after the expiring of the life of the Councils to one year thereafter;
- (b) provide for the extension of the period within which Councillors would be sworn in and Aldermen would be elected from “the third day” to within ten days from the date of the election of Councillors;
- (c) deem the Councillors and Aldermen whose terms of office expired on July 12, 2002, to have become Advisory Committees to the Chairmen of Local Government Bodies until new Councils are elected on the same terms and conditions as those of Councillors and Aldermen of each Corporation; and
- (d) also deem the Deputy Chairman of the San Juan/Laventille Regional Corporation the Chairman.

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

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Short title  
Municipal Corporations (Amendment) Act, 2003.

Act No. 21 of 1990  
amended

**2. The Municipal Corporations Act, 1990 is amended—**

(a) in section 11(4), by inserting after subsection (4B), the following subsection:

“ (4C) Notwithstanding subsection (4A), for the purposes only of the elections due in the year 2002, under this section, such election shall be held within one year of the expiry of the terms of office of the Councillors and Aldermen comprising the Council.”;

(b) in section 13(1), by deleting the words “on the third day next following” and substituting the words “no more than ten days after”; and

(c) in section 273, by inserting after subsection (1A) the following subsections:

“ (1B) Subject to subsection (1C) the Councillors and Aldermen of each Corporation whose term of office expired on the 12th day of July, 2002 are deemed to have become an Advisory Committee of that Corporation from the 13th day of July, 2002 on the same terms and conditions of service that they enjoyed as Councillors and Aldermen, except that each Advisory Committee shall cease to exist upon the election of Councillors and the appointment of Aldermen in consequence of elections held under section 11(4C).

(1C) The person who held the office of Deputy Chairman of the San Juan/Laventille Regional Corporation on the 12th day of July, 2002 is deemed to have assumed the office of the Chairman of the San Juan/Laventille Regional Corporation from the 4th day of October, 2002.”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this      day  
of                                      , 2003.

*Clerk of the House*

I confirm the above.

*Speaker*

Passed in the Senate this      day of                                      ,  
2003.

*Clerk of the Senate*

I confirm the above.

*President of the Senate*

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