

**BILLS SUPPLEMENT**

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**Bill No. 22      *Movement (Amendment) Bill*      1997**

**THE MOVEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1997.**

**MEMORANDUM**

The object of this Bill is—

- (a) to make clear that references to District Council and other local government institutions are references to those institutions as they exist under the Local Government Act, 1997 (Act No. 1 of 1997);
- (b) to redesignate lower movement organs as conferences instead of committees;
- (c) to make sure that Chairpersons of District Movement Conferences should be members of the National Conference;
- (d) to replace subsection (3) of section 12 of the principal Act to make clear that in the case of the first meeting of the National Executive Committee, the Chairperson is not obliged to give the minimum fourteen days notice;
- (e) to amend section 13 (13) of the principal Act to make clear that the number of the staff at the Movement Secretariat is to be determined by the National Executive Committee but that the appointment of the staff shall be made by the National Political Commissar with the approval of the National Executive Committee;

- (f) to repeal subsection (3) of section 23 as being redundant. The provision states that the Chairperson of the village movement conference is to be a member of the parish council. The Chairperson is already an automatic member by virtue of the provisions of the Local Governments Act, 1997; and
- (g) to introduce a new section 26A to require that the election of chairpersons of lower movement organs shall be by lining up behind the candidates.

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**THE MOVEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1997.**  

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**ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES.**  

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*Clause.*

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 2 of principal Act.
3. Changing of movement committee to movement conference.
4. Amendment of section 5.
5. Section 12 of the principal Act amended.
6. Section 13 of the principal Act amended.
7. Section 23 of the principal Act amended.
8. New section 26A.

A Bill for an Act

Entitled

**THE MOVEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1997.**

**An Act to amend the Movement Act, 1997.**

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Movement (Amendment) Act, 1997. Short title.

2. The Movement Act, 1997, in this Act referred to as the principal Act is amended in section 2— Amendment of section 2 of principal Act.

(a) by renumbering the existing section as subsection (1) of section 2 ; and

(b) in the definition of “National Conference” by deleting the words or “Conference”; and

(c) by inserting a new subsection (2) as follows—

“(2) For the avoidance of doubt, references to District Chairperson, District Council, District Executive Committee, City Council, Division Council, Municipal Council, Sub-County Council, Town Council, Parish Council and Village Council shall be taken to be references to those authorities or bodies as they exist under the Local Government Act, 1997”.

Changing of  
movement  
committee  
to  
movement  
conference.

3. The principal Act is amended by substituting for every reference to a movement committee a reference to a movement conference.

Amendment  
of section 5.

4. Section 5 of the principal Act is amended, in subsection (1), by inserting immediately after paragraph (e) the following—

“(ee) the Chairperson of every District Movement Conference in each case where the person is not already a member by virtue of being a member of the District Executive Committee.”

Section 12  
of principal  
Act  
amended.

5. Section 12 of the principal Act is amended, by substituting for subsection (3) the following new subsection—

“(3) Except for the first meeting or in case of an emergency, a notice of not less than fourteen days shall be given for every meeting of the Committee and the notice shall state the matters to be discussed at the meeting”.

Section 13  
of principal  
Act  
amended.

6. Section 13 of the principal Act is amended by substituting for subsection (13) the following—

“(13) There shall be such number of staff at the Secretariat as the National Executive Committee shall determine.

“(13a) The staff referred to in subsection (13) shall be appointed by the National Political Commissar with the approval of the National Executive Committee.”

7. Section 23 of the principal Act is amended by repealing subsection (3).

Section 23  
of principal  
Act  
amended.

8. The principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 26 the following—

New section  
26A.

“Election of  
Chair-  
persons of  
lower  
movement  
organs.

**26A** Except in the case of the village movement conference, the election of the chairpersons of lower movement organs shall be by lining up behind the candidates.”