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AN ACT TO AMEND THE CEYLON (PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS) ORDER IN COUNCIL, 1946.

[Date of Assent: October 14, 1960.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Representatives of Ceylon in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Ceylon Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act, No. 2 of 1960.

2. Section 15 of the Ceylon (Parliamentary Elections) Order in Council, 1946, as last amended by Act No. 26 of 1959, is hereby amended as follows:—

(1) in sub-section (1A) of that section,—

- (a) by the substitution, for the words " in the Government Gazette and shall cease to be in operation on the conclusion of the aforesaid general election.", of the words " in the Government Gazette."; and
- (b) by the substitution, for all the words from "other than the provisions of this sub-section," to the end of that sub-section, of the words "other than the provisions of this sub-section.";
- (2) by the insertion, immediately after sub-section (1A) of that section, of the following new sub-section:—

"(1AA) The register of electors prepared under sub-section (1A) of this Section for any altered or new electoral district shall continue to be in operation until superseded by the coming into operation of the register of electors required by sub-section (1) of this Section to be prepared for such electoral district, and shall, notwithstanding that it was prepared for the purposes of a general election, be used for the purposes of any election required to be held in such electoral district for the purpose of filling any vacancy in the seat of a Member for that district which occurs before it is so superseded."; Amendment of section 15 of the Ceylon (Parliamentary Elections) Order in Council, 1946.

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- (3) in sub-section (1C) of that Section, by the substitution, for the expression "of this Section,", of the expression "of this Section or any election to fill a vacancy in the seat of a Member referred to in sub-section (1AA) of this Section,"; and
- (4) in sub-section (2) of that section, by the substitution, for the expression "not earlier.", of the expression "not earlier unless at least one dissolution of Parliament has occurred after such register is required to be prepared under sub-section (1) of this Section but before it is certified in which case such register shall come into operation as provided by sub-section (2) of Section 22 of this Order.".

3. Notwithstanding anything in the provisions of sub-section (1A) of Section 15 of the Ceylon (Parliamentary Elections) Order in Council, 1946, prior to its amendment by section 2 of this Act, the register of electors for any altered or new electoral district prepared and certified under that sub-section for the purposes of the general election immediately preceding the date of the commencement of this Act shall be deemed, for all purposes, to have been in operation during the period commencing after the conclusion of such election and ending on the date of the commencement of this Act.

Registers of electors prepared under sub-section (1A) of Section 15 of the Ceylon (Parliamentary Elections), Order in Council, 1946, to be deemed to have continued in operation.