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SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF
SRI LANKA**

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS (AMENDMENT)

A

BILL

to amend the Municipal Councils Ordinance (Chapter 252)

*Presented by the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government
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STATEMENT OF LEGAL EFFECT

Clause 2 : This clause replaces section 5 of the Municipal Councils Ordinance (Chapter 252) and the legal effect of the new section as replaced is to amend the composition of the Municipal Councils.

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L.D.—O. 49/2017

AN ACT TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL COUNCILS ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 252)

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Municipal Councils (Amendment) Act, No. of 2017. Short title.

5 **2.** Section 5 of the Municipal Councils Ordinance (Chapter 252) is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:— Replacement of section 5 of Chapter 252.

“Composition of Municipal Councils. **5.** (1) Each Municipal Council shall consist of such number of Councillors—

10 (a) as specified by the Minister by Order published in the *Gazette*, based on the Orders published under sections 3C and 3D of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262);

15 (b) equivalent to forty *per centum* of the number of Councillors as specified by the Minister by Order made under paragraph (a), who shall be returned in terms of section 65B of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262); and

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(c) determined by the Commissioner under paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 65B of the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262).

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5 (2) Where the number constituting forty *per centum* referred to in paragraph (b) of subsection (1), is an integer and fraction, the integer shall be deemed to be the number which shall constitute such forty *per centum*, for the purpose of that subsection.”

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.

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