



## Arrangement of Provisions

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**2015, No. 20****AN ACT to amend the Electoral Act 1963 (“Principal Act”).***[15<sup>th</sup> June 2015]*

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Legislative Assembly of Samoa in Parliament assembled as follows:

**1. Short title and commencement-**(1) This Act may be cited as the Electoral Amendment Act (No. 2) 2015.

(2) This Act commences on the date of assent by the Head of State.

**2. Section 5 amended** - In section 5 of the Principal Act, after subsection (8), insert:

“(9) A candidate may, by motion and no later than noon of the 3<sup>rd</sup> day after nomination day, challenge the qualification of another candidate under this section in the Supreme Court for an order to disqualify that other candidate.

(10) An order made under subsection (9) is final and is not subject to any review or appeal.”.

**3. Section 19 substituted** - For section 19 of the Principal Act substitute:

**“19. Qualifications of urban voters-**(1) Subject to this Act and subsection (2), an adult person is qualified to be registered as an urban voter if the person:

(a) is a Samoa citizen listed in Column 3 of Schedule 2; and

(b) has lived in that urban constituency for a period of at least six (6) months immediately before registration.

(2) A person who is living in an urban constituency for less than six (6) months and therefore cannot be registered under subsection (1) may apply to be registered under this Act:

(a) in a territorial constituency; or

(b) in the other urban constituency in which the person last lived for at least six (6) months,

**PROVIDED THAT** a candidate in either of the urban constituencies for the 2016 General Elections must, on nomination day, have resided in either of urban constituencies for at least six (6) months.”.

**4. Section 45A amended** - For section 45A of the Principal Act:

(a) in subsection (1)(a) -

(i) for “12<sup>th</sup>” substitute “5<sup>th</sup>”; and

(ii) for “14<sup>th</sup>” substitute “7<sup>th</sup>”; and

(b) in subsection (2) -

(i) for “12<sup>th</sup>” substitute “19<sup>th</sup>”; and

(ii) for “14<sup>th</sup>” substitute “21<sup>st</sup>”.

**5. Territorial Constituencies Act amended** - In the Schedule to the Territorial Constituencies Act 1963, for Part 2 substitute:

**“PART 2 - BOUNDARIES FOR THE URBAN  
CONSTITUENCIES****URBAN CONSTITUENCY EAST****All that area of land (other than customary land) bounded  
as follows:**

Commencing from the boundary line between Vaimauga East and Anoamaa West in a generally west direction to the boundary line between Vaimauga West and Faleata East.

**URBAN CONSTITUENCY WEST****All that area of land (other than customary land) bounded  
as follows:**

Commencing from the boundary line between Vaimauga West and Faleata East in a generally west direction to the boundary between Faleata West and Sagaga Le Falefa.”.

**6. Transitional regulations** - The Head of State acting on the advice of Cabinet may (before the date the polling begins for 2016 general elections) make transitional regulations to amend or prescribe new forms for the purposes of the Principal Act.

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