

HONOURS AND AWARDS AMENDMENT BILL 2017

SAMOA

Explanatory Memorandum

Object and reasons:

The Bill seeks to amend the Honours and Awards Act 1999 (“Principal Act”).

Clauses:

- Clause 1:** - provides for the short title and commencement.
- Clause 2:** - provides for a new definition of Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Prime Minister and Cabinet (“Chief Executive Officer”) to mean the Secretary to Cabinet.
- Clause 3:** - amends section 6(2)(b) and 8 of the Principal Act by deleting “order of Samoa” and substituting “Chief Order of Samoa”.
- Clause 4:** - substitutes section 20 of the Principal Act by stating that the awards in section 6 may be posthumously.
- Clause 5:** - amends to provide that the Chief Executive Officer is the Chairperson and insert Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Finance to be a member of the Honours Committee.



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PRIME MINISTER

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Arrangement of Provisions

1. Short title and commencement
2. Section 2 amended
3. Section 6 and 8 amended
4. Section 20 substituted
5. Section 23 amended

2017, No.

A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to amend the Honours and Awards Act 1999 (“principal Act”).

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 Honours and Awards Amendment Act 2017.
- (2) This Act commences on the date of assent.

2. Section 2 amended:

In section 2 of the principal Act; insert:

““Chief Executive Officer of Ministry of Prime Minister and Cabinet” means the Secretary to Cabinet;”.

3. Section 6 and 8 amended:

- (1) In sections 6(2)(b) and 8 of the principal Act, for “Order of Samoa” substitute “Chief Order of Samoa”.
- (2) In section 6(2) of the principal Act:
 - (a) in paragraph (c) delete “First Class”;
 - (b) in paragraph (d) delete “Second Class”;
 - (c) in paragraph (f) delete “Third Class”; and
 - (d) in paragraph (g) delete “Fourth Class”.

4. Section 20 substituted:

In section 20 of the Principal Act, substitute:

“20. Posthumous awards:

The awards described in section 6 may be posthumously.”.

5. Section 23 amended:

- (1) For section 23 of the Principal Act:
 - (a) in subsection (2)(a) and (b) substitute:

- “(a) Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, as Chairperson;
 - (b) the Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Finance.”;
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- (b) in subsection (2)(d)(iii), for “the chiefs and orators of Samoa,” substitute “representative of the community.”;
 - (c) in subsection (5), substitute:

“(5) Ex-officios or Government employees on the Committee are not entitled to any sitting allowance.”.
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