# THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE 25<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2016 LEGAL SUPPLEMENT — A



## **ACT NO. 3 OF 2016**

# **CORONERS (AMENDMENT) ACT 2016**

I assent.

David Granger,

President.

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

## **SECTION**

- 1. Short title.
- 2. Amendment of the Principal Act.

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#### LAWS OF GUYANA

[A.D. 2016

#### A BILL

#### Intituled

### AN ACT to amend the Coroners Act.

A.D. 2015

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title. Cap. 4:03.

1. This Act, which amends the Coroners Act, may be cited as the Coroners (Amendment) Act 2015.

Amendment of the Principal Act. 2. The Principal Act is amended by the insertion of the following section immediately after section 3 as section 3A –

"Appointment of persons as coroners.

- 3A. (1) Notwithstanding anything in sections 2 and 3 the Judicial Service Commission may appoint fit and proper persons as coroners.
- (2) In the County of Demerara there shall be at least three coroners, in the County of Berbice at least two and in the County of Essequibo at least one.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything in subsection (3) a coroner shall be appointed for the whole of Guyana.
- (4) Every person appointed as a coroner under this section shall, before he performs the functions of a coroner, take and subscribe the oath of office taken by a Magistrate (with such modifications as may be necessary) before his assumption of duty.
- (5) A coroner appointed under this section shall have all the powers, privileges, rights and jurisdiction of a Magistrate and justice of the peace as are necessary for the performance of his duties.
- (6) The Chief Justice may assign any number of coroners to one County."

Passed by the National Assembly on the 14th January, 2016.



Clerk of the National Assembly.