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BILL NO. 8 OF 1990

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS

(AMENDMENT) BILL 1990

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A BILL

Intituled

AN ACT to amend the Registration of Births and Deaths Act.

A.D. 1990

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

Short title
and com-
mencement.

Cap. 44:01

1. This Act, which amends the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, may be cited as the Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Act 1990 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st July, 1987.

Amendment of
section 2 of
the Principal
Act.

2. Section 2 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the deletion of the definition of "occupier" and by the substitution in the definition of "particular search" for the word "register" of the words "registration form".

Repaal and re-
enactment of
section 7 of
the Principal
Act.

3. Section 7 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor-

"Power to amend Schedules. 7. The Minister may, by order, amend the Schedules."

Amendment of
section 8 of
the Principal
Act.

4. Section 8 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the deletion of the words ", and of the superintendent registrars".

Amendment of
section 9 of
the Principal
Act.

5. Section 9 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the deletion of the words "the several church and chapel doors, or other" and the words "divisions and".

6. The subheading under PART I appearing above section 11 is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "BOOKS AND BOXES" of the word "FORMS".

Amendment of the sub-heading under PART I.

7. In the Principal Act -

Amendment of section 11 of the Principal Act, including the marginal note.

(a) the marginal note to subsection 11 is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "Register books." of the words "Forms.";

(b) section 11 is hereby amended in the following respects -

(i) in subsection (1), by the deletion of the words "register books and" and by the renumbering of the said subsection as section 11;

(ii) by the deletion of subsections (2) and (3).

8. The heading under PART II is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "DIVISIONS" of the words "REGISTRATION CENTRES".

Amendment of the heading under PART II.

Amendment of
the Principal
Act.

9. The Principal Act is hereby amended by the deletion of sections 12, 16, 17, 19, 24, 27, 34, 47, 49A, 51, 55, 57, 58, 59. and 60.

Repeal and re-enactment of section 13 of the Principal Act.

10. Section 13 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

"Registration districts and centres.

Act No. 12 of 1980

13. In each of the regions into which Guyana is divided by order made under the Local Democratic Organs Act, the Minister may by order establish such number of registration districts as he deems necessary and in each such district establish such number of registration centres as may be necessary."

Repeal and re-enactment of sections 14 and 15 of the Principal Act.

11. Sections 14 and 15 of the Principal Act are hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

"Appointment of registrars and deputies and designation of public officers to act in execution of Act.

14.(1) The Minister may appoint the registrars and their deputies for the registration districts.

(2) Every deputy while acting as registrar shall have all the powers and duties and be subject to all the penalties declared in this Act concerning a registrar.

(3) The Minister may designate a public officer to perform the functions of registrar under this Act, for such time as that officer holds his office."

12. Section 18 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

Repeal and re-enactment of section 18 of the Principal Act.

"Transfer of official property on death or removal of registrar. 18. Whenever any registrar dies, or is removed from office or ceases to hold office, arrangements shall immediately be made by the Registrar General to have all forms, documents and papers that were in his possession as registrar collected and delivered as soon as conveniently may be to his successor."

13. Section 20 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

Repeal and re-enactment of section 20 of the Principal Act.

"Registration centre in each district. 20.(1) The Registrar General, shall appoint some suitable building to be the registration centre within the district.

(2) The Registrar General shall publish in the Gazette, the address of the registration centre and hours of business of every registrar."

Repeal and re-enactment of section 21 of the Principal Act.

14. Section 21 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

"Exemption from service on jury or inquest.

21. Every registrar appointed under this Act shall be free and exempt from service on any jury or inquest."

Amendment of section 22 of the Principal Act.

15. Section 22 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

(a) by the insertion after the word "carefully" of the words ", in so far as it is practicable,";

(b) by the substitution for the word "division" of the word "district", for the words "register books" of the words "registration forms" and for the words "1 and 2," of the words "1 and 2, in triplicate,";

(c) by the deletion of the words ", each entry being made in order from the beginning to end of the book".

Amendment of section 23 of the Principal Act.

16. Section 23 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

(a) by the deletion of the words "or the occupier of the house or tenement in which to his or her knowledge a child has been born,";

(b) by the substitution for the words "registrar of the division", wherever they occur, of the words "registrar at the nearest regis-

tration centre of the district" and for the word "register" of the words "registration form".

17. In the Principal Act -

Amendment of section 25 of the Principal Act, including the marginal note.

(a) the marginal note to section 25 is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "sections 23 and 24" of the words "section 23";

(b) section 25 is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "last two preceding sections" of the words "preceding section" and for the word "fifteen" of the words "three hundred".

Repeal and re-enactment of section 26 of the Principal Act.

18. Section 26 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

Repeal and re-enactment of section 26 of the Principal Act.

"Giving notice in writing. 26.(1) Anyone may give information of a birth or death happening in any part of Guyana within the limits

Amendment of section 29 of the Principal Act.

set forth in the Second Schedule by forwarding the particulars of that birth or death, as required

Amendment of section 30 of the Principal Act.

by this Act in writing signed by him and stating his name, residence and occupation to the registrar at the nearest registration centre of the district within which the birth or death, as the case may be, occurred,

Amendment of section 31 of the Principal Act, including the marginal note.

whereupon the registrar shall commence the registration of the birth or death.

(2) Upon verification of the particulars submitted under subsection (1) the registrar shall then proceed to complete the registration of the birth or death by filling in Form 1 or 2, as the case may be."

Form 1
or 2.
First
Schedule

Repeal and re-enactment of section 28 of the Principal Act.

19. Section 28 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

"Informant to sign registration form.

28. Nothing in the preceding section shall excuse any informant from signing the registration form when he is present with the registrar."

Amendment of section 29 of the Principal Act.

20. Section 29 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "fifteen" of the words "five hundred".

Amendment of section 30 of the Principal Act.

21. Section 30 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "four" of the word "three".

Amendment of section 31 of the Principal Act, including the marginal note.

22. In the Principal Act -

- (a) the marginal note to section 31 is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "illegitimate child" of the words "child born out of wedlock";

(b) section 31 is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "an illegitimate child" of the words "a child born out of wedlock", for the words "the register of births" of the words "Form 1" and for the words "the register" of the words "Form 1".

23. Section 32 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

Amendment of section 32 of the Principal Act.

(a) in subsection (1), by the deletion of the word "superintendent" where it occurs for the first and second times, of the words "in the presence of the superintendent registrar" and of the words "; and the superintendent registrar before whom the declaration is made shall sign the entry of the birth as well as the registrar";

Repeal and re-
enactment of
section 32 of
the Principal
Act.

(b) by the deletion of subsection 2 and the substitution of the following subsection therefor -

"(2) For every registration under subsection (1) the registrar shall be entitled to receive such fees as may be prescribed by the Minister by order."

(c) by the deletion of subsection (3).

24. Section 33 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

Amendment of section 33 of the Principal Act.

- (a) in subsection (1), by the substitution for the words "entered in the register" of the word "recorded";
- (b) by the deletion of subsection (2) and the substitution of the following subsection therefor -

"(2) For every registration under subsection (1) the registrar shall be entitled to receive such fees as may be prescribed by the Minister by order."

Repeal and re-enactment of section 35 of the Principal Act.

25. Section 35 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

"Registration of name given after registration.

35.(1) When any name has been given to the child by its parents or guardians other than that by which it may have been registered, or where on registration no name has been given, the parents or guardians, within twelve months after its birth has been registered, or, if after twelve months, then only with the written authority of the magistrate of the district in which the parents or guardians reside (which authority, upon a statement of the circumstances of the case submitted to him, it shall

Form 3
First
Schedule

be lawful for the magistrate to give) may deliver to the Registrar General a certificate in Form 3, or to the like effect, signed by the parents or guardians; and thereupon, and on payment of such fees as may be prescribed by the Minister by order, the Registrar General shall appropriately record the name of the child by completing a new registration form showing the original particulars with the name of the child as corrected or with the name given for the first time, as the case may be.

(2) The newly completed form shall be stapled to the previous form and together shall comprise part of the record of the General Register Office."

26. Section 36 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

Amendment of section 36 of the Principal Act.

- (a) by the deletion of the words beginning with ", or the occupier" and ending with "has taken place," where the latter words occur for the second time, and of the words ", or if the death has not taken place within a house, then anyone present thereat, or having a knowledge of the

circumstances attending it,";

- (b) by the substitution for the words "registrar of the division", wherever they occur of the words "registrar at the nearest registration centre of the district" and for the word "register" of the words "registration form".

Repeal and re-enactment of section 38 of the Principal Act.

27. Section 38 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

"Entry of finding of jury upon coroner's inquest.

Form 2.
First
Schedule

38. Whenever an inquest is held on a dead body, the jury shall inquire of the particulars by this Act required to be registered concerning the death and the coroner shall, without signing Form 2 as informant, communicate in writing under his hand the finding of the jury to the Registrar General who shall record that the information relating to the death was received from the coroner, and preserve the information with the records of his office."

Amendment of section 39 of the Principal Act.

28. Section 39(1) of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "the occupier of a house" of the words "a person".

Amendment of section 40 of the Principal Act.

29. Section 40 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "division" of the

magistrate correct the error according to the truth of the case by completing a new registration form containing the correct particulars; the newly completed form together with the previous form being stapled together and forming part of the record of the General Register Office."

(v) by the deletion of subsection (5);

(vi) in subsection (6), by the substitution in paragraph (a) for the word "register" of the word "form" and by the deletion of paragraph (b).

Repeal and re-enactment of section 45 of the Principal Act.

32. Section 45 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor -

"Registration of death.

45.(1) A death occurring in a public or private hospital shall be registered at that hospital after the medical practitioner who may have been in attendance during the last illness until the death of the person completes in triplicate paragraphs 2.0 and 4.0 in Form 2.

Form 2.
First Schedule

(2) Where a death does not occur in a hospital paragraphs 2.0 and 4.0 in Form 2 shall be completed in triplicate by the medical practitioner who may have been in attendance

word "District" and for the words "the occupier of a house" of the words "a person".

30. Section 41 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "register" wherever it occurs of the word "form".

Amendment of section 41 of the Principal Act.

31. In the Principal Act -

Amendment of section 43 of the Principal Act, including the marginal note.

(a) the marginal note to section 43 is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "register" of the words "registration form";

(b) section 43 is hereby amended in the following respects -

(i) in subsection (1)(a), by the substitution for the word "registrar" of the words "registration form";

(ii) in subsection (2), by the substitution for the word "register" of the words "registration form";

(iii) in subsection (3), by the substitution for the word "registrar" of the words "Registrar General";

(iv) by the deletion of subsection (4) and the substitution of the following subsection therefor -

"(4) The Registrar General shall thereupon as directed by the

during the last illness until the death of the person and handed to the informant to be taken by him to the registrar at the nearest registration centre of the district, who shall use the particulars in the said form to complete the registration of the death.

(3) Paragraphs 2.0 and 4.0 in Form 2 shall be completed in legible writing and signed by the medical practitioner so that both the cause of death and the name of the medical practitioner issuing the certificate may be easily read.

(4) A registration of death after a post mortem shall be done at the registration centre of the hospital, where the post mortem was performed, by the Hospital Administrator or other officer in charge of administration of the hospital.

(5) When the registration of death is completed the registrar shall send the original completed registration form to the General Register Office, give the first copy to the informant and retain the second copy as part of his record.

(8) No fee shall be charged for the registration of a death at any public hospital or institution."

Amendment of subheading under PART V: 33. The subheading under PART V is hereby amended by the substitution thereof of the following subheading:

"COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORMS"

Repeal and re-enactment of section 46 of the Principal Act. 34. Section 46 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

"Transmission of entries of births and deaths and original registration forms thereof to the Registrar General."

46.(1) DURING the first week in every month every registrar shall send to the Registrar General a monthly return with the entries of all births and deaths made during the month together with all the original registration forms of births and deaths in his possession.

Forms 1 and 2 First Schedule

(2) If there has been no birth or death registered in the preceding month aforesaid a nil return shall be sent to the Registrar General.

(3) The registrar shall keep safely the duplicate copy of the monthly return sent to the Registrar General."

35. Section 49 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

Amendment of section 49 of the Principal Act.

(a) in subsection (1), by the substitution for the words "the certified copies and original registers" of the words ", duly completed registration forms";

(b) in subsection (2), by the substitution for the words "hereinafter mentioned" of the words "prescribed by the Minister by order", for the word "holidays" of the word "holidays and Saturdays" and for the words "extract from any entry in the certified copies of the registers or in the original registers" of the words "extracted therefrom a sealed certificate of birth in Form 4 or a sealed certificate of death in Form 5, as the case may be";

(c) by the deletion of subsection (3).

36. Section 53 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for subsection (1) of the following subsection therefor -

Amendment of section 53 of the Principal Act.

"(1) The fee payable in respect of each priority search shall be such fee as the Minister may by order prescribe."

37. Section 54 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

54. If a duly completed registration form of birth or death is lost in course of transmission to the Registrar General, the registrar by whom it has been sent shall forthwith prepare a copy of the lost form from the second copy of the lost form retained by him and forward the said prepared copy to the Registrar General."

38. Section 56 of the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects:

(a) by the substitution for subsection (1) of the following subsection therefor -

"(1) Every registrar, each month, shall make out an account of the number of births and deaths which he has registered during that month."

(b) in subsection (2), by the substitution for the words "at the rate of fifty cents for every entry of birth or death included in the account" of the words "at such rate as the Minister may by order prescribe for every duly completed registration form of birth or death, mentioned in the account".

39. Section 67 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "register" of the words "registration forms .

Amendment of section 67 of the Principal Act.

40. In the Principal Act -

Amendment of section 69 of the Principal Act, including the marginal note.

(a) the marginal note to section 69 is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "register" of the words "registration form";

(b) section 69 is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "the register" of the words "a completed registration form", for the words "register book" of the words "completed registration form" and by the deletion of the words "or of any part thereof".

41. In the Principal Act

Amendment of section 70 of the Principal Act, including the marginal note.

(a) the marginal note to section 70 is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "registers" of the words "completed registration forms";

(b) section 70 is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "registers" wherever it occurs of the words "completed registration forms" and by the deletion of the words "to any superintendent registrar or".

.. repeal and re-enactment of section 71 of the Principal Act.

42. Section 71 of the Principal Act is hereby repealed and the following section substituted therefor

"Failure by medical practitioner to comply with section 45.

71. Every medical practitioner who fails to comply with section 45, or without reasonable cause refuses or neglects to do so shall for each offence be liable to a fine of three hundred dollars."

Amendment of section 73 of the Principal Act.

43. Section 73 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "division" of the words "registration district" and for the word "fifteen" of the words "one hundred".

Amendment of section 74 of the Principal Act.

44. Section 74 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "place named by the registrar of the division" of the words "registration centre of the district", for the word "register" of the words "registration form" and for the word "thirty" of the words "one hundred".

Amendment of section 75 of the Principal Act.

45. Section 75 of the Principal Act is hereby amended by the substitution for the word "division" of the word "district".

Amendment of the First Schedule to the Principal Act.

46. The First Schedule to the Principal Act is hereby amended in the following respects -

- (a) by the substitution for Forms 1 and 2 of Forms 1 and 2 respectively in the

Schedule and for Form 4 of the Form numbered three in the said Schedule;

(b) by the deletion of Forms 3, 5 and and by the insertion of new Forms 4 and 5.

47. The Second Schedule to the Principal Act is hereby amended by the deletion of the words ",27" from reading note.

Amendment of the Second Schedule to the Principal Act.

48.(1) The Principal Act as amended by this Act shall apply to and in relation to a birth or death registered on and after 1st July 1987.

Transitional.

(2) The Principal Act as it stood on 30th June 1987, in so far as it is applicable, shall, notwithstanding the amendments made to it by this Act, continue to apply to and in relation to a birth or death registered before 1st July 1987:

Provided that a certified copy of such birth or death certificate may be issued in such form as may be determined by the Registrar General.

(3) The fees payable under the Principal Act shall, notwithstanding their deletion from the Principal Act by the amendments made to that Act by this Act, continue to be in force for the time being until other fees may be prescribed.

49. All registrations of births and deaths, all certificates of births and deaths issued and all things done and actions taken on and after 1st July 1987 and before the coming into operation of this Act, which would be valid and effective had the amendments made in the

Validation.

Principal Act by this Act been in operation at the material dates, shall be, and shall be deemed always to have been, valid and effective.

SCHEDULE

REGISTRATION NUMBER	B								D D M M Y Y				
GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA REGISTRATION OF BIRTH GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE ONLY LIVE BIRTHS TO BE FILED WITH GRO				SECTION BELOW FOR GRO USE ONLY									
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1.0 PARTICULARS OF CHILD													
1.1 LAST NAME (SURNAME)				1.4 TYPE OF BIRTH				LIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STILL <input type="checkbox"/>					
1.2 FIRST NAME				1.5 DATE OF BIRTH				DAY MONTH YEAR					
1.3 OTHER NAMES				1.6 TIME OF BIRTH				AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input type="checkbox"/>					
1.7 RACE				1.8 SEX				MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/>					
1.9 GESTATION IN WEEKS		1.10 WEIGHT AT BIRTH		LBS.		KGS.		1.11 LENGTH AT BIRTH		INCHES CENTIMETRES			
1.12 HOSPITAL PLACE OF BIRTH				NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION				LOCATION		REGION			
OTHER				NUMBER		STREET OR DAM		WARD OR VILLAGE		TOWN OR COUNTY REGION			
2.0 PARTICULARS OF MOTHER													
2.1 LAST NAME AT THIS BIRTH				2.6 MARITAL STATUS AT THIS BIRTH				M S W D					
2.2 MAIDEN NAME				2.7 AGE AT THIS BIRTH									
2.3 OTHER NAMES				2.8 OCCUPATION									
2.4 RACE				2.9 EDUCATION				P S U O					
2.5 USUAL ADDRESS				NUMBER		STREET OR DAM		WARD OR VILLAGE		TOWN OR COUNTY REGION			
3.0 PARTICULARS OF FATHER													
3.1 LAST NAME				3.5 AGE AT THIS BIRTH									
3.2 FIRST NAME				3.3 MIDDLE INITIAL		3.6 OCCUPATION							
3.4 RACE				3.7 EDUCATION				P S U O					
FATHER'S NAME WILL APPEAR ON BIRTH CERTIFICATE IF PARENTS ARE MARRIED TO EACH OTHER AT THE TIME OF THIS BIRTH OR FATHER OTHERWISE CONSENTS BY SIGNING THIS REGISTRATION.								3.8 SIGNATURE					
4.0 OTHER PARTICULARS													
4.1 NO OF CHILDREN BORN AT THIS DELIVERY				4.2 ORDER OF THIS DELIVERY IF NOT A SINGLE BIRTH				1ST 2ND 3RD 4TH 5TH 6TH					
4.3 PREVIOUS DELIVERIES				4.3.1 MONTHS SINCE LAST PARTURITION		4.3.2 NUMBER BORN ALIVE		4.3.3 NUMBER BORN DEAD		4.3.4 NUMBER STILL ALIVE			
5.0 PARTICULARS OF INFORMANT						6.0 PARTICULARS OF ATTENDANT AT BIRTH							
5.1 NAME			5.2 RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD			6.1 NAME			6.2 OCCUPATION				
5.3 SIGNATURE						DOCTOR			MIDWIFE N/MIDWIFE				
						PH/NURSE			BIRTH ATTN. OTHER				
NOTICE TO REGISTRAR The Registrar is required under law to file the original of this Registration of Birth with the General Register Office not later than 14 days after the date on which the child named herein is born.						NOT A LEGAL RECORD This is not an official Birth Certificate and cannot be used as one. Birth Certificates can be obtained from the General Register Office by applying through your local Post Office 30 days after the child's birth.							
Systems Design Under Contract: Guyana Management Institute, 1986.													

REGISTRATION NUMBER		D																	
GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA REGISTRATION OF DEATH GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE		SECTION BELOW FOR GRO USE ONLY																	
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1.0 PARTICULARS OF DECEASED																			
1.1 LAST NAME (SURNAME)						1.5 MAIDEN NAME													
1.2 FIRST NAME						1.7 DATE OF BIRTH			DAY		MONTH		YEAR						
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1.9 USUAL RESIDENCE						1.10 OCCUPATION													
2.0 PARTICULARS OF DEATH																			
2.1 DATE OF DEATH			DAY		MONTH		YEAR		2.2 APPROXIMATE TIME OF DEATH			AM <input type="checkbox"/>			PM <input type="checkbox"/>				
2.3 DISEASE OR CONDITION LEADING DIRECTLY TO DEATH						2.4 APPROXIMATE TIME BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH													
2.5 ANTECEDENT CAUSES GIVING RISE TO DEATH						2.6 CAUSES OF VIOLENT DEATH			<input type="checkbox"/> ACCIDENT			<input type="checkbox"/> SUICIDE			<input type="checkbox"/> HOMICIDE				
2.7 OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH						2.8 DATE OF INJURY			DAY		MONTH		YEAR						
2.9 CAUSE OF DEATH CONFIRMED BY			<input type="checkbox"/> AUTOPSY		<input type="checkbox"/> INSPECTION		2.9 EXTERNAL CAUSES (HOW INJURY OCCURRED)												
2.10 PLACE OF INJURY			<input type="checkbox"/> HOME		<input type="checkbox"/> STREET		<input type="checkbox"/> FARM		2.11 LOCATION										
2.12 PLACE OF DEATH			<input type="checkbox"/> HOSPITAL		<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER		2.13 NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION			2.14 LOCATION			2.15 REGION						
			NUMBER		STREET OR DAM		WARD OR VILLAGE		TOWN OR COUNTY			REGION							
3.0 PARTICULARS OF INFORMANT																			
3.1 NAME						3.2 RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED													
3.3 ADDRESS						3.4 SIGNATURE													
4.0 PARTICULARS OF MEDICAL OFFICER CERTIFYING DEATH																			
4.1 NAME						4.2 DATE DECEASED LAST SEEN BY ME			DAY		MONTH		YEAR						
4.3 ADDRESS						4.4 DATE THIS CERTIFICATE PREPARED			DAY		MONTH		YEAR						
4.5 OCCUPATION			<input type="checkbox"/> MEDICAL PRACTITIONER		<input type="checkbox"/> PATHOLOGIST		<input type="checkbox"/> CORONER		<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER		4.6 SIGNATURE								
DECLARATION: I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE-NAMED PERSON DIED ON THE DATE AND OF THE CAUSES SPECIFIED ABOVE			SIGNATURE																
NOTICE TO MEDICAL OFFICER CERTIFYING DEATH You are required under law to file the original of this registration of death with the General Register Office not later than 14 days after the date on which you have certified the death.									NOT A LEGAL RECORD This is not an official death certificate and cannot be used as one. Death certificates can be obtained from the General Register Office by applying through your local post office 30 days after the date of this registration.										
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Certificate to be delivered under section 35

I do hereby certify that -

(a) at in the county of
 on the
 day of 19.....
 a child whose parents are
 and
 was born;

(b) on Registration of the birth of the
 child *it was given the name
/*no name was given to
 it;

(c) in respect of the child the *new
 name of/*the name
 of is now being
 given.

Dated this..... day of, 19...

Signed
Parent/guardian

Signed
Magistrate

*Delete words not applicable.



CO-OPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA
CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH

FULL NAME OF CHILD

DATE OF BIRTH

			SEX	
DAY	MONTH	YEAR		

PLACE OF BIRTH

MOTHER'S FULL NAME
AT THIS BIRTH

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME

FATHER'S NAME

DATE OF REGISTRATION
OF BIRTH

DAY	MONTH	YEAR

THE INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE ABOVE-NAMED REGISTRANT
IS TRUE AND CORRECT AS CONTAINED IN THE ORIGINAL RECORD ON FILE IN
THE GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE

TRANSCRIPTION CLERK

REGISTRAR GENERAL

NOT VALID UNLESS SEAL IS AFFIXED

CERTIFICATE NUMBER

DATE ISSUED



CO-OPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

FULL NAME OF DECEASED

DATE OF DEATH

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
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AGE AT DEATH SEX

PLACE OF DEATH

CAUSE OF DEATH

NAME OF MEDICAL OFFICER CERTIFYING DEATH PROFESSION

DATE OF REGISTRATION OF DEATH

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE DECEASED PERSON NAMED ABOVE IS A TRUE COPY OF A RECORD ON FILE IN THE GENERAL REGISTER OFFICE

TRANSCRIPTION CLERK

REGISTRAR GENERAL

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CERTIFICATE NUMBER

DATE ISSUED

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to amend the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, Cap. 44:01, so as to remove a number of provisions in the Act and to authorise retrospectively from 1 July 1987 the use of new and more modern registration forms and certificates of births and deaths.

Some of the provisions being removed have not been utilised by the General Register Office for a number of years. Others are being removed as a result of the introduction of the new forms and certificates already in use (clause 49).

The provisions amended include those relating to the office of the superintendent registrar which has been defunct for some time now (see for instance clauses 4, 9, 11, 12, 23, etc.), the provisions relating to registration divisions, as only the registration districts remain, in each of which there may be one or more registration centres (clause 10), the provisions relating to register books as such books are no longer needed (see for instance clauses 7, 15, 16, 18, 22, 30, 31, etc.), and the provisions relating to iron boxes for keeping register books by the registrars as these boxes are not needed (sections 12 and 19 of the Act deleted by clause 9 of the Bill).

Provision has been made for the Act, as it stood before the present amendments, to apply to a birth or death registered before the coming into operation of these amendments and for the Act as amended, to

relate to a birth or death registered on or after 1 July 1987 when the said amendments came into operation. Provision has also been made for the fees now in force to continue to be in force until they are amended by order made by the Minister (clause 48).

Stella Ode-ali
Minister of Home Affairs