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An Alteration to the Constitution

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ALTERATION TO THE CONSTITUTION

Constitutional Amendment Law 2016

Being a law to alter the Constitution to increase nomination fees for election to National Parliament and for related purposes,

MADE by the National Parliament.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR AND DISQUALIFICATIONS FROM MEMBERSHIP (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 103).

Section 103 of the Constitution is amended in Subsection (2) by repealing the amount "K1,000.00" and replacing it with "K10,000.00".

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Constitutional Amendment Law 2016

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSE

Qualifications for and Disqualifications for Membership (Amendment of Section 103).

NO. OF 2016

Organic Law on Provincial Governments and Local-Level Governments (Amendment) Law 2016

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSE

Duration of Office (Amendment to Section 34).

NO. OF 2016

Organic Law on Provincial Governments and Local-Level Governments (Amendment) Law 2016

Being a law to alter the *Organic Law on Provincial and Local-Level Governments (Amendment) Law 2016*, to make changes to the date of return of writs for Local-Level Government elections and for related purposes,

MADE by the National Parliament.

DURATION OF OFFICE (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 34)

Section 34 of the *Organic Law on Provincial and Local-Level Governments* is amended in Subsection (1) by repealing the words “three months” and replacing them with “12 months”.

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Organic Law on National and Local-Level Government Elections (Amendment) Law 2016,

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

1. Rolls (Amendment of Section 45).
2. Requisites for nomination (Amendment of Section 87)
3. Requisites of petition (Amendment of Section 208.
4. Deposit as security for costs (Amendment of Section 209).

NO. OF 2016

Organic Law on National and Local-Level Government Elections (Amendment) Law 2016

Being a law to alter the *Organic Law on National and Local-Level Government Elections* to make changes to election laws and for related purposes,

MADE by the National Parliament.

1. FORM OF ROLLS (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 45).

Section 45 of the *Organic Law on National and Local-Level Government Elections* is amended by inserting the following new subsection immediately after subsection (2):

“(3) A person who is eligible to be enrolled on a Roll shall fill out the prescribed form, supported by valid forms of identification as determination by the Electoral Commissioner, by—

- (a) providing such information in writing and physically submitting the prescribed form to the Electoral Commission; or
- (b) providing such information electronically by enrolling online through the website of the Electoral Commission by submitting three valid identifications as determined by the Electoral Commission.”.

*Organic Law on National and Local-Level Government Elections (Amendment) Law 2016—continued***2. REQUISITES FOR NOMINATION (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 87)**

Section 87 of the *Organic Law on National and Local-Level Government Elections* is amended—

- (a) in Subsection (1) by repealing the amount “K1,000.00” and replacing it with “K10,000.00”; and
- (b) by inserting a new subsection after Subsection (3) as follows:

“(4) Subject to the outcome of election petitions, a refund of the nomination fee of K10,000.00 is only available to the winning candidate and all nomination fees of the losing candidates shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund.”.

3. REQUISITES FOR PETITION (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 208)

Section 208 of the *Organic Law on National and Local-Level Government Elections* is amended by repealing Paragraph (e) and replacing with the following new paragraph:

- “(e) be filed in the Registry of the National Court at—
- (i) Port Moresby for the Southern Region; and
 - (ii) Mount Hagen and Goroka for the Highlands Region; and
 - (iii) Lae, for the Momase Region; and
 - (iv) Kokopo for the Islands Region,
- within 40 days from the date of return of writs in accordance with Section 175(b).”.

4. DEPOSIT AS SECURITY FOR COSTS (AMENDMENT OF SECTION 209).

Section 209 of the *Organic Law on National and Local-Level Government Elections* is amended by deleting the letter and figures “K5,000.00 and replacing it with “K20,000.00.”.