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GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

**ACT**

No. 1 of 1983

Date of Assent: 8th April, 1983

**An Act to amend the Constitution of Zambia**

[15th April, 1983

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia.

Enactment

1. This Act may be cited as the Constitution of Zambia (Amendment) Act, 1983, and shall be read as one with the Constitution.

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2. Article 66 of the Constitution is amended—

Amendment of Article 66

(a) by the deletion of the full-stop and the substitution therefor of a colon; and

(b) by the insertion, at the end of the Article, of the following proviso:

Provided that a person shall not be qualified to be appointed as a nominated member of the National Assembly during the life of the Parliament in respect of which—

(i) he, having been an applicant for adoption as a candidate in accordance with the provisions of Article 75, was not adopted by the Central Committee; or

(ii) he, having contested an election to the National Assembly, was defeated.

3. Article 67 of the Constitution is amended by the deletion of the proviso thereto and the substitution therefor of the following proviso:

Amendment of Article 67

Provided that a person shall not be qualified to be a candidate for election to the National Assembly unless his candidature has been adopted by the Central Committee in accordance with the provisions of Article 75.

Substitution  
of  
Article 75

4. Part VI of the Constitution is amended by the deletion of Article 75 and the substitution therefor of the following Article:

Adoption  
of  
candidates

75. (1) Any person who is qualified to be elected as a member of the National Assembly under Article 67 and is not disqualified under Article 68 may deliver his application for adoption as a candidate to the returning officer appointed by the Electoral Commission on such day and at such time and at such place as may be prescribed by the Commission:

Provided that such application shall not be valid unless it is supported by not less than nine persons registered in that constituency as voters for the purpose of election to the National Assembly.

(2) As soon after receiving the applications as is practicable, the Electoral Commission shall submit to the Central Committee the name of each applicant for adoption as a candidate who fulfils the requirements set out in clause (1).

(3) Unless the Central Committee is satisfied that the adoption of any particular candidature would be inimical to the interests of the State, it shall adopt the candidature of every applicant for adoption as a candidate whose name is submitted under clause (2).

(4) In any constituency of the National Assembly only those persons shall be qualified to be nominated for election whose candidature has been adopted by the Central Committee in accordance with this Article.

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