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BILL

Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTION OF MINISTERS ACT [CAP 91]

ENACTED by the National Parliament of Solomon Islands

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

<u>CLAUSE</u>:

- 1. SHORT TITLE AND COMMENCEMENT
- 2. AMENDMENT OF SECTION 2 OF CAP. 91

Short title and Commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Prescription of Ministers (Amendment) Act 2007 and shall come into operation on the date of the publication of the Act in the Gazette.

Amendment of Section 2 of Cap 91 2. Section 2 of the Prescription of Ministers Act is hereby amended by adding the word "three" after the word "twenty".

Explanatory Memorandum

Objects and Reasons

This Bill seeks to amend the Prescription of Ministers Act [Cap. 91] ("the Principal Act") by increasing the prescribed number of Ministers from twenty to twenty three.

The Bill comprises 2 clauses. Clause 1 cites its short title and date of commencement. Clause 2 effects the alteration of the substantive provision of the Principal Act by adding the word "three" to the word "twenty".

The proposed increase to the number of Ministers is necessitated by the expansion of Government's constitutional responsibility, beyond the traditional domains of executive accountability, to ensure proper, efficient and effective administration for the better governance of the nation consistent with Government's policy initiatives, imperatives, priorities and directions

PRIME MINISTER

CHAPTER 91

PRESCRIPTION OF MINISTERS

An Act to provide for the prescription of Ministers by 2 of 1993 Parliament

[10th November 1994]

1. This Act may be cited as the Prescription of Ministers Act.

Short title

2. For the purposes of section 33(2) of the Constitution the prescribed number of Ministers (in addition to the Prime Minister) shall not exceed eighteen.

Number of Ministers

Am. No. 1 of 2000

(No Subsidiary Legislation)