THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL
(No. XIV of 2003)

Explanatory Memorandum

The object of this Bill is to amend the Local Government Act, pending the introduction of a new major legislation in matters of local government, to provide for the extension of the mandate of existing district and village councilors until 2004.

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ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES

Clause

1. Short title
2. Interpretation
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A BILL

To amend the Local Government Act

ENACTED by the Parliament of Mauritius, as follows -

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Local Government (Amendment) Act 2003.
2. **Interpretation**

In this Act -

"principal Act" means the Local Government Act.

3. **Section 17 of principal Act amended**

Section 17 of the principal Act is amended in subsection (1), by deleting the word "2003" and replacing it by the words "2004 and thereafter in every succeeding fifth year".

4. **Section 23 of principal Act amended**

Section 23 of the principal Act is amended -

(a) in subsection (1) -

(i) by deleting the word "2003" and replacing it by the words "2004 and in every succeeding fifth year thereafter";

(ii) in paragraph (b), by deleting -

(i) the words "15 September" and replacing them by the words "25 December";

(ii) the words "24 September" and replacing them by the words "31 December";

(b) by adding after subsection (3), the following new subsection -

(4) All members of village councils in office in 2003 shall continue to serve as such until the date immediately preceding nomination day at a general election for the election of members of village councils in 2004.