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THE POLITICAL PARTIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2018

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NOTICE

This Bill to be submitted to the National Assembly is published for general information to the public together with a statement of its objects and reasons.

Dodoma,
15th October, 2018

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Secretary to the Cabinet

A BILL

for

An Act to amend the Political Parties Act.

ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania

**PART I
PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS**

Short title

Cap.258

1. This Act may be cited as the Political Parties (Amendment) Act, 2018 and shall be read as one with the Political Parties Act, hereinafter referred to as the “principal Act”.

PART II
GENERAL AMENDMENTS

Amendment of
section 3

2. The principal Act is amended in section 3 by inserting in its appropriate alphabetical order the following new definitions:

“political party general meeting” means the highest administrative organ of the party, made by delegates based on the party structure prescribed in the party constitution;

“National Executive Committee” means a party organ or any similar organ comprised of party national leaders and party representatives from each region where the party has administrative organ or representative elected in accordance with party constitution;

“founding member of a political party” means a person who participates in the formation of a political party and who is among the first members of the party.

Amendment of
section 4

3. The principal Act is amended in section 4, by-

(a) adding immediately after subsection (4) the following:

“(5) Without prejudice to subsection (4), the functions of the office of the Registrar shall be to-

- (a) register political parties in accordance with this Act and any other written law;
- (b) supervise the administration and implementation of this Act;
- (c) monitor intra-party elections and nomination process;
- (d) disburse and monitor accountability of Government subvention to political parties which qualify under this Act;
- (e) monitor income and expenditures of political parties and accountability of party resources;
- (f) provide civic education regarding multiparty democracy, laws governed by the Registrar and related matters;

- (g) regulate civic education provided to political parties;
 - (h) advise the Government on issues related to political parties and multiparty democracy;
 - (i) facilitate communication between political parties and the Government;
 - (j) undertake research on political parties, multiparty democracy and political parties financing;
 - (k) provide secretariat to the Political Parties Council; and
 - (l) undertake any other functions conferred by this Act or any other written law.
- (b) renumbering subsection (5) as subsection (6).

Amendment of
section 5

4. The principal Act is amended in section 5 by deleting the words “assistant registrars” appearing in the marginal note and in the contents of section 5 and substituting for them the word “directors”.

Addition of new
sections 5A and
5B

5. The principal Act is amended by adding immediately after section 5 the following new sections:

“Regula-
tion of
civic
education

5A.-(1) A person or institution registered within or outside the United Republic wishing to conduct civic education or any kind of capacity building training or initiative to a political party, shall prior to conducting such training, inform the Registrar in writing stating the objective and kind of training, training programme, persons involved in such training, teaching aids and expected results.

(2) Upon receipt of information under subsection (1), the Registrar may disapprove the training or capacity building programme and give reasons for such disapproval.

(3) Any person who contravenes this section, commits an