

ACT NO. 40 OF 2021

I assent.

J. K. KONROTE
President

[22 September 2021]

AN ACT

TO AMEND THE ELECTORAL (REGISTRATION OF VOTERS) ACT 2012

ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji—

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Electoral (Registration of Voters) (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 2021.

(2) This Act comes into force on a date or dates appointed by the Minister by notice in the Gazette.

(3) In this Act, the Electoral (Registration of Voters) Act 2012 is referred to as the “Principal Act”.

Section 2 amended

2. Section 2 of the Principal Act is amended in the definition of “residential address” by deleting “, including the province and division, provided however that he or she has lived there for a period of at least 3 months immediately before registration”.

Section 4 amended

3. Section 4 of the Principal Act is amended by—

(a) in subsection (2)—

- (i) in paragraph (a) after “name”, inserting “as specified on the applicant’s birth certificate”;
- (ii) in paragraph (h), deleting “and”; and
- (iii) deleting paragraph (i) and inserting the following new paragraphs—
 - “(i) birth certificate; and
 - (j) such other particulars as may be approved and published by the Supervisor.”; and

(b) after subsection (2A), inserting the following new subsection—

“(2B) For the purposes of subsection (2)(a), if an applicant’s name on his or her birth certificate is not in the English alphabet, the applicant’s name on his or her certificate of registration or certificate of naturalisation, as the case may be, is deemed to be the applicant’s name on his or her birth certificate.”.

Passed by the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji this 22nd day of September 2021.