



**AN BILLE UM THOGHCAIN AITIULA, 1972
LOCAL ELECTIONS BILL, 1972**

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As introduced*

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BILL

entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 5 OF THE ELECTORAL ACT, 5
1963, TO REMOVE CERTAIN MEMBERSHIP DISQUALI-
FICATIONS WITH REGARD TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES
AND CERTAIN OTHER RELATED BODIES, TO ALTER
THE YEARS FOR HOLDING LOCAL ELECTIONS AND
TO MAKE PROVISION FOR CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS 10
CONNECTED WITH LOCAL ELECTIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

Amendment of
section 5 (2) of
Electoral Act,
1963.

1.—Section 5 (2) of the Electoral Act, 1963, is hereby amended by
the substitution of the following paragraph for paragraphs (a), (b), (c)
and (d):

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1963, No. 19.

“(a) A person shall be entitled to be registered as a local govern-
ment elector in a local electoral area if he has reached the
age of twenty-one years and he was, on the qualifying
date, ordinarily resident in that area.”

Removal of certain
membership
disqualifications
with regard to
local authorities
and certain other
related bodies.

2.—(1) A person shall not be disqualified for being elected, chosen, 20
appointed or being a member of a local authority, a vocational educa-
tion committee or a county committee of agriculture because—

1939, No. 27.

(a) within twelve months either before or since his election or
being so chosen or appointed, he has received general
assistance within the meaning of the Public Assistance Act, 25
1939, or

(b) within five years either before or since his election or being
so chosen or appointed, he has been adjudicated bankrupt,
or made an arrangement with his creditors.

(2) The following provisions of Article 12 of the Schedule to the 30
Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898, shall,
with respect to membership of a local authority, a vocational educa-
tion committee or a county committee of agriculture, cease to have
effect, namely:

(a) subparagraph (b) of paragraph (4), 35

(b) “or has, within or during the time aforesaid, been adjudged
bankrupt, or made a composition or arrangement with his
creditors” in subparagraph (c) of paragraph (4), and

(c) paragraph (7).

3.—(1) Section 81 (1) of the Electoral Act, 1963, as amended by section 1 of the Local Elections Act, 1966, is hereby amended by the substitution of the following paragraph for paragraph (a):

Alteration of years for holding local elections. 1963, No. 19. 1966, No. 28.

5 “(a) An election of members of every local authority shall be held in the year 1973 and quinquennially thereafter.”

(2) The terms of office of members of local authorities current at the passing of this Act shall stand extended so as to be in accordance with the holding in the year 1973 of the elections of members of local authorities next after the passing of this Act and those elections shall 10 be regarded for all purposes as quinquennial elections.

4.—The appointments next after the passing of this Act under section 10 of the School Attendance Act, 1926, shall be made in the year 1973 and shall be regarded as quinquennial appointments.

Alteration of years for making appointments of members of school attendance committees. 1926, No. 17.

5.—The meetings next after the passing of this Act under section 14 of the Vocational Education Act, 1930, shall be regarded as 15 quinquennial meetings.

Provision with respect to certain meetings of vocational education committees. 1930, No. 29.

6.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Local Elections Act, 1972.

Short title, collective citations and construction.

(2) The Local Elections Acts, 1963 to 1966, and this Act may be 20 construed together as one Act.

(3) The collective citation, the Electoral Acts, 1923 to 1972, shall include sections 1 and 2 of this Act.

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An tAire Rialtais Áitiúil a thug isteach

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