

December 28, 2021

Mr. Sherlock Isaacs, A.A.
Clerk of the National Assembly,
Parliament Office, Public Buildings,
Brickdam, Georgetown.

Dear Mr. Isaacs,

Re: Proposed amendments to Bill No. 21 of 2021 – Local Content Bill 2021

Please find attached proposed amendments to Bill No. 21 of 2021, which is scheduled to be debated on Wednesday, December 29, 2021.

Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



David Patterson M.P.

Cc Mr. Christopher Jones, M. P.

1. **Interpretation** - "Guyanese national" means a citizen of Guyana; by birth
2. **New Clause 6 (2) (a)** Any Guyanese national or Guyanese company, whose application has been refused has the right to appeal to an independent review panel appointed by the Minister, comprising of not less than three persons, one of whom must be from civil society.
3. **New Clause 6 (9)** The Secretariat shall cause to be published on the website of the ministry responsible for petroleum or any other media in wide circulation the Local Content Register, which shall be updated quarterly.
4. **New Clause 13 (7)** A Contractor, Sub-Contractor or Licensee without the written permission of the Minister acting on the advice of the Secretariat and the Local Content Oversight Committee, shall not enter into any contract in excess of three (3) years.
5. **New Heading PART V** delete INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE replace with LOCAL CONTENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.
6. **New marginal note (PART V)** - Establishment of Local Content Oversight Committee.
7. **Amend Clause 20 (1)** - There is to be established a committee to be known as the Local Content Oversight Committee.
8. **Amend Clause 20 (2)** The Committee shall consist of not than seven members appointed by the President; after nominations from the agencies adumbrated in 20 (3) are deliberated on by the Committee of Appointments of the National Assembly.
9. **Clause 20 (3)** The Members appointed to the Committee shall be selected from the following agencies: -
 - a) Office of the President
 - b) Ministry of Labour
 - c) Private Sector Commission
 - d) National Toshias Council
 - e) Guyana Bar Association
 - f) Labor Union Representative
 - g) Parliamentary Opposition
 - h) Guyana Association of Professional Engineers
 - i) Transparency International Guyana Inc.
 - j) Representative from local Petroleum Organizations

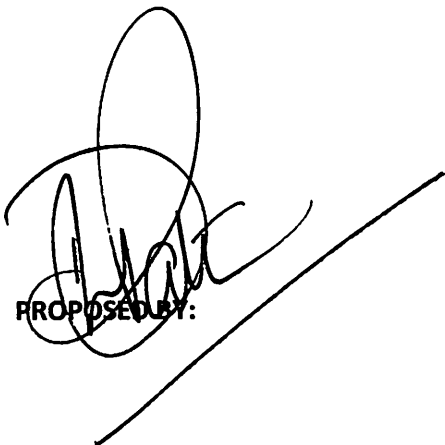


10. **Amend Clause 20 (4)** The President shall appoint a Chairperson of the Committee from amongst the members of the Committee.
11. **New Clause 20 (4) a** *A Vice Chairperson of the committee shall be elected at the first meeting of the Committee.*
12. **Amend Clause 20 (5)** The members of the Committee shall be appointed for a term of *two years*, which term may be renewed by the President.
13. **Amend Clause 20 (7)** The function of the Committee is to *provide oversight of* the Secretariat in the discharge of its functions *and to provide the Minister with recommendations.*
14. **Amend Clause 20 (8)** The Committee may determine *and document* its own procedure for discharging its functions.

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Amend the following sections **PART 1 – SPECIFIC SECTORS FOR GUYANESE COMPANIES AND GUYANESE NATIONALS**

Sectors and Sub-sector for Guyanese Businesses	End of 2022
1. Rental of Office Spaces	100%
2. Accommodation Services (apartments and houses)	100%
3. Surveying	90%
4. Construction Work for Buildings – onshore	100%
5. Structural Fabrication (cutting, bending, and assembling of steel products) – onshore	75%
9. Waste Management (disposal, and water transportation services) – Nonhazardous Waste	100%
10. Waste Management (disposal, and water transportation services) – Hazardous Waste	60%
11. Storage Services (warehousing)	100%
12. Janitorial Services	100%
13. Catering Services	100%
21. Pest Control Exterminator Services	100%
26. Transportation Services	
a) Trucking	100%
b) Ground Transportation	100%
29. Industrial Cleaning – onshore	100%
30. Security Services	100%
34. Local Insurance Services	100%
35. Accounting Services	90%
36. Local Legal Services	100%
39. Engineering and Machining	
a) Engineering	75%
b) Machining	5%
40. Local Marketing and Advertising Services (Public Relations)	100%


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