

**SEYCHELLES BUREAU OF STANDARDS (AMENDMENT)  
BILL, 2021**

*(Bill No. 15 of 2021)*

**OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The Seychelles Bureau of Standards Act, 2014 (*the said Act*) was enacted to repeal and replace the Seychelles Bureau of Standards Act, 1987 to make better provision for the development, promotion and maintenance of standardisation and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. The Bureau is managed by a Board consisting of 7 members representing various Ministries and three members from the academia or civil society with sufficient knowledge and expertise in business management, finance, marketing or science and technology.

2. The President, in his address to the Nation on the 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021, made announcement of restructuring of statutory and other parastatal bodies.
3. In order to give effect to the announcement made by the President, it is proposed to reduce the number of members of the Board upto seven who shall be appointed by the President on the recommendation of the Minister from the persons of integrity, possessing qualifications and experience in standardisation, business management, finance, marketing or science and technology. It shall allow the Minister to nominate those officials who possess required qualification and experience in each field.
4. Accordingly, in view of the above, it is proposed to amend section 5 of the said Act and also to provide for consequential provisions.
5. The Bill seeks to achieve the above objectives.

**Dated this 23rd day of March, 2021.**

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**ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS**

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**A BILL  
FOR**

**AN ACT to amend the Seychelles Bureau of Standards Act, 2014 (*Act 2 of 2014*).**

**ENACTED** by the President and the National Assembly.

**Short title**

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Seychelles Bureau of Standards (Amendment) Act, 2021.

**Amendment of section 5 of Act 2 of 2014**

2. Section 5 of the Seychelles Bureau of Standards Act, 2014 (Act 2 of 2014) is amended by repealing subsections (1) and (2), and substituting therefor the following subsections —

“(1) The Bureau shall be managed by a Board, consisting of 7 members, appointed by the President on the recommendation of the Minister.

(2) The members appointed under subsection (1) shall be persons of integrity, possessing qualifications and experience in standardisation, business management, finance, marketing or science and technology.”.

**Transitional provisions**

3. On the commencement of this Act —

- (a) the members of the Board, appointed under section 5 of the Seychelles Bureau of Standards Act, 2014 prior to the commencement of this Act, shall cease to be members as such and shall vacate the office; and
- (b) such members of the Board shall not be entitled to claim any compensation for the premature termination of term of their office or of any contract of service.