Amendment 1. Section 5 of the Local Government Act, 2004 is hereby of section 5 repealed and replaced by the following new section of Act No. 1 of 2004.

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"**Period for 5.** (1) Elections to a local council shall elections. be conducted every four years;

Provided that where local council elections are due under subsection (1). but localities have not been divided into wards in accordance with Regulation 2 of the Wards (Boundary Delimitation) Regulations, 2008, the President shall, by statutory instrument and on the recommendation of the Electoral Commission, direct that such elections be postponed.

(2) Where local council elections are postponed under subsection (1), the tenure of the Councillors shall not be extended beyond the date of the next General or Presidential elections.

Passed in Parliament this 16th day of June, in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen.

> **IBRAHIM S. SESAY,** Clerk of Parliament.

THIS PRINTED IMPRESSION has been carefully compared by me with the Bill which has passed Parliament and found by me to be a true and correct printed copy of the said Bill.

> **IBRAHIM S. SESAY,** Clerk of Parliament.

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DR. ERNEST BAI KOROMA.

SIGNED this 7th day of July, 2016.

President. No. 11 2016 Sierra Leone

The Local Government (Amendment) Act, 2016

Short title.

Being an Act to amend the Local Government Act, 2004 to provide for the postponement of local council elections and for other related matters.

] Date of commencement.

ENACTED by the President and Members of Parliament in this present Parliament assembled.