

**PUBLIC PERSONS (DECLARATION OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES  
AND BUSINESS INTERESTS) BILL, 2019**

*(Bill No. 3 of 2019)*

**OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The Bill seeks to amend section 3 of the Public Persons (Declaration of Assets, Liabilities and Business Interests) Act, 2016 (Act 26 of 2016) in order to provide that the Chairperson of the Public Officers' Ethics Commission may be appointed as the Commissioner, *ex-officio*, under the said section in the absence of availability of a suitable person for appointment as Commissioner. Even after lowering the qualification level, there were no applicants for the post of the Commissioner. Hence the amendment.

**Dated this 25th day of February, 2019.**

**FRANK D.R. ALLY  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL**

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**A BILL**

**OF**

**AN ACT to amend the Public Persons (Declaration of Assets, Liabilities and Business Interests) Act, 2016.**

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

**1.** This Act may be cited as the Public Persons (Declaration of Assets, Liabilities and Business Interests) (Amendment) Act, 2019.

Short title

Amendment of  
Act 26 of 2016

2. The Public Persons (Declaration of Assets, Liabilities and Business Interests) Act, 2016 is amended by inserting in section 3, after subsection (4) the following subsection—

“(4A) In the absence of availability of a suitable person under subsection (4), the Chairperson of the Public Officers’ Ethics Commission may be appointed as the Commissioner *ex-officio*, and on such appointment he or she shall be eligible to receive such allowances as may be determined by the President.”