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TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT SOME PROVISIONS OF LAW NO. 2012/1 OF 19 APRIL 2012 RELATING TO THE ELECTORAL CODE

The National Assembly deliberated and adopted at its plenary sitting held on Friday 23 November 2012 Bill N°918/PJL/AN set out as follows:

SECTION 1.- The provisions of Sections 84, 166, 230 and 231 of Law No. 2012/1 of 19 April 2012 relating to the Electoral Code are amended and supplemented as follows:

"<u>SECTION 84</u>.- (new) (1) Every elector whose name has been entered on the electoral register shall be issued a biometric voter card which shall bear their full name, date and place of birth, parentage, photograph, finger prints, occupation, domicile or residence.

(2) Voter cards shall be permanent.

(3) Where voter cards are renewed or new names are entered on the electoral register, the cards shall be distributed within a period of 40 (forty) days before the polling day.

(4) However, in the event of recompilation, the distribution of voter cards shall be carried out during registration or once the cards are produced, when the technical conditions have been met.

SECTION 166.- (**new**) (1) The substantive candidate and his alternate shall both pay a deposit into the State Treasury in the amount of 1 000 000 (one million) CFA francs, according to the form and terms of Section 124 (2) of this law.

(2) The deposit shall be refunded by the State Treasury in the cases provided for by Section 147 of this law.

<u>SECTION 230</u>.- (new) In view of the election of senators, the electoral college shall be convened by the President of the Republic at least 45 (forty-five) days before the date of the poll, in

accordance with the provisions of Section 86 (1), (3) and (4) above.

SECTION 231.- (**new**) (1) The nomination of candidates for the election of senators shall be conducted pursuant to Sections 164 to 166 of this law.

(2) The provisions of Sections 125, 127, 128, 129, 130 and 131 of this law relating to the nomination of candidates, objections, petitions relating to the rejection or acceptance of candidates, as well as those relating to the colour, initials or emblem adopted by a candidate or a list of candidates, shall apply to the election of senators.

(3) The Electoral Board shall publish the list of candidates at least 15 (fifteen) days before the day of the poll. The Constitutional Council shall be immediately notified thereof."

SECTION 2. This law shall be registered, published according to the procedure of urgency and inserted in the Official Gazette in English and French.

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