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(AMENDMENT ) ACT, No. 40 OF 2006**

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE MUSLIM MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE ACT  
(CHAPTER 115)

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows :-

1. This Act may be cited as the Muslim Marriage and Divorce (Amendment) Act, No. 40 of 2006.

Short title.

2. Section 8 of the Muslim Marriage and Divorce Act (Chapter 115) is hereby amended by the insertion immediately after subsection (7) of that section, of the following new subsections :—

Amendment of section 8 of Chapter 115.

“(8) A person shall be disqualified from being appointed or continuing as a Registrar, if he :—

- (a) becomes a Member of Parliament ; or
- (b) becomes a Member of a Provincial Council ; or
- (c) becomes a Member of a local authority ;  
or
- (d) is holding any paid office under the Republic ; or
- (e) is engaged in a profession that would prejudicially affect the duties of a Registrar.

(9) Where any Registrar becomes disqualified by virtue of subsection (8), the Registrar -General shall have the power to remove such person from the post of Registrar with the approval of the Minister by Order published in the *Gazette*, and such removal shall take effect on the date specified in such Order.

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(10) In the event of a vacancy occurring in the post of Registrar as a result of any resignation or any removal from office, any other person shall, having regard to the provisions of section 8, be appointed to fill the vacancy.”.

Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency.

3. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

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