

A BILL

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An Act to amend the Central Bank of Malaysia Ordinance 1958.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Duli Yang Maha Mulia Seri Paduka Baginda Yang di-Pertuan Agong with the advice and consent of the Dewan Negara and Dewan Rakyat in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Central Bank of Malaysia (Amendment) Act 1991. Short title.
2. Section 2 of the Central Bank of Malaysia Ordinance 1958, which in this Act is referred to as the "Ordinance", is amended by substituting for the word "the" appearing after the words ' "Deputy Governor" means' the word "any". Amendment of section 2. Ord. 61/58.
3. Section 8 of the Ordinance is amended— Amendment of section 8.
  - (a) by substituting for the words "the Deputy Governor" in paragraph (b) of subsection (2) the words "not more than three Deputy Governors";
  - (b) by substituting for the words "the Deputy Governor" in subsection (3) the words "any Deputy Governor so designated by the Governor";
  - (c) by substituting for the word "Governor" appearing after the word "Deputy" in subsection (4) the word "Governors"; and
  - (d) by inserting, after the words "Governor or" in subsection (5), the word "any".

Amendment  
of section 9.

4. Section 9 of the Ordinance is amended—

(a) by substituting for subsection (1) the following:

"(1) The Governor shall be appointed by the Yang di-Pertuan Agong and the Deputy Governors by the Minister."; and

(b) by substituting for the word "Governor" appearing after the word "Deputy" in subsections (2), (3), (4) and (5) the word "Governors".

Amendment  
of section 11.

5. Section 11 of the Ordinance is amended—

(a) by deleting the words ", Deputy Governor," in subsection (2); and

(b) by inserting, after subsection (2), the following new subsection (3):

"(3) The Minister may terminate the appointment of any Deputy Governor on the grounds specified in subsection (2).".

Amendment  
of section 12.

6. Section 12 of the Ordinance is amended—

(a) by substituting for the word "the" appearing before the words "Deputy Governor" the word "any"; and

(b) by inserting, after the word "Agong", the words ", or in the case of a Deputy Governor, by the Minister,".

Amendment  
of section 13.

7. Section 13 of the Ordinance is amended by substituting for the words "the Deputy Governor" in subsection (1) the words "any Deputy Governor so designated by the Governor".

Amendment  
of section 15.

8. Section 15 of the Ordinance is amended by substituting for the word "Governor" appearing after the word "Deputy" in subsection (3) the word "Governors".

9. Section 26 of the Ordinance is amended by substituting for the word "the" appearing before the words "Deputy Governor" in each place where it occurs in subsection (1) the word "any".

Amendment  
of section 26.

10. Section 30 of the Ordinance is amended by substituting for the word "Governor" appearing after the word "Deputy" in subsection (8) the word "Governors".

Amendment  
of section 30.

11. Section 31 of the Ordinance is amended by substituting for the word "Governor" appearing after the word "Deputy" in paragraph (e) the word "Governors".

Amendment  
of section 31.

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Bill seeks to amend the Central Bank of Malaysia Ordinance 1958 (hereinafter referred to as the "Ordinance") to provide for the appointment of not more than three Deputy Governors for the Central Bank of Malaysia. The existing provisions of the Ordinance only provide for one Deputy Governor. In the light of the expanded functions conferred on the Central Bank under various amendments to the Ordinance and other legislations and also the passing of new laws, it has become imperative that the Governor of Bank Negara be assisted by more Deputies.

2. *Clause 1* provides for the short title of the proposed Act.
3. *Clause 3* seeks to amend section 8 of the Ordinance to have not more than three Deputy Governors in the Board of Directors of Bank Negara.
4. *Clause 4* seeks to amend section 9 of the Ordinance to empower the Minister to appoint Deputy Governors.
5. *Clause 5* seeks to amend section 11 to empower the Minister to terminate the appointment of Deputy Governors.
6. *Clause 6* seeks to amend section 12 to empower the Minister to fill any casual vacancy in the post of a Deputy Governor.
7. *Clauses 2, 3 (b), 3 (c), 3 (d), 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11* seek to make consequential amendments to sections 2,8,13,15,26,30 and 31 of the Ordinance.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This Bill will not involve the Government in any extra financial expenditure.

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