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**THE PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES  
(PREPARATORY REVIEW) (No. 2) ACT  
1966**

No. 35 of 1966

*Date of Assent: 25th November 1966*

*Date of Commencement: 29th November 1966*



An Act of Parliament to provide for the review by the Electoral Commission of the number and the boundaries of the parliamentary constituencies into which Kenya is divided, preparatory to the creation of a larger number of constituencies for the reform of the National Assembly, and for matters incidental thereto and connected therewith

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Parliamentary Constituencies (Preparatory Review) (No. 2) Act 1966.

Short title.

2. (1) In this Act, "the Constitution" means the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya contained in Schedule 2 of the Kenya Independence Order in Council 1963, as amended by the Constitution of Kenya (Amendment) Act 1964, the Constitution of Kenya (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 1964, the Constitution of Kenya (Amendment) Act 1965, the Constitution of Kenya (Amendment) Act 1966, the Constitution of Kenya (Amendment) (No. 2) Act 1966, and the Constitution of Kenya (Amendment) (No. 3) Act 1966.

Interpretation.  
L.N. 718/1963.  
28 of 1964.  
38 of 1964.  
14 of 1965.  
16 of 1966.  
17 of 1966.  
18 of 1966.

(2) Save where the context otherwise requires, expressions used in this Act have the same meaning as in the Constitution, and section 247 of the Constitution shall apply for the purposes of interpreting this Act as it applies for the purposes of interpreting the Constitution.

3. (1) In anticipation of the amendment of the Constitution for the reform of the National Assembly, the Electoral Commission shall, as soon as practicable and in accordance with the provisions of this section, review the number and the boundaries of the constituencies into which Kenya is divided, and shall, by order, prescribe the number and the boundaries of the constituencies in accordance with the provisions of this section and make such alterations of existing boundaries as it considers desirable in the light of that review.

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(2) The number of constituencies into which Kenya shall be divided by the order made under this section shall be 158.

(3) The order made under this section shall create in each District and in the Nairobi Area one constituency in addition to the number of constituencies into which that District or Area is divided at the time of the passing of this Act.

(4) For the purposes of subsection (3) of this section a constituency shall be treated as being in a District or in the Nairobi Area if, in the estimation of the Commission, not less than 80 per cent of the inhabitants of that constituency are inhabitants of that District or of the Nairobi Area, as the case may be.

(5) In the exercise of its functions under this section the Electoral Commission shall apply the provisions of subsections (3) and (6) of section 49 of the Constitution, as if the review made under this section were a review made under that section of the Constitution, but the Commission shall not be required to have regard to the provisions of subsection (2) of that section.

(6) The order made by the Commission under this section shall be published in the Kenya Gazette, but shall not come into effect until it is brought into effect by an Act of Parliament which amends the Constitution for the reform of the National Assembly.

Saving.  
14 of 1965.

4. Nothing in this Act shall affect subsections (6) and (7) of section 10 of the Constitution of Kenya (Amendment) Act 1965.

Repeal of Act  
27 of 1966.

5. The Parliamentary Constituencies (Preparatory Review) Act 1966 is hereby repealed.

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