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No.H. 12017/55/2003-LJD/61, the 31st October, 2003. The following General-Acts are hereby published for general information.

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THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2003

AN ACT

further to amend the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Fifty-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:---

- 1. This Act may be called the Representation of the Short title. People (Amendment) Act, 2003.
- 43 of 1951. 2. In the Representation of the People Act, 1951 (here-Amendment inafter referred to as the principal Act), in section of section 3. 3, for the words "in that State or territory", the words" in India" shall be substituted.
- Amendment 3. In section 59 of the principal Act, the following of section 59. proviso shall be inserted at the end, namely:—

"Provided that the votes at every election to fill a seat or seats in the Council of States shall be given by open ballot.".

> "Provided that this section shall not apply to such witness or other person where he has voted by open ballot.".

Amendment 5. In section 128 of the principal Act, in sub-section of section (1), the following proviso shall be inserted at the 128. end, namely:---

> "Provided that the provisions of this sub-section shall not apply to such officer, clerk, agent or other person who performs any such duty at an election to fill a seat or seats in the Council of States."